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ABSTRACT

Three rifles were subjected to the light automatic rifle test and two rifles were subjected to additional accuracy tests. A total of 24,443 rounds were fired. The AR-15 rifle, which has a weight of 6.92 pounds when fully loaded and an over-all length of 38.8 inches, fires Cartridge, Caliber .223. The average velocity of the 55-grain bull: t at 78 feet was 3104 feet per second. In the 100-yard bench-rest accuracy test the average mean radius for 10-round targets was 1.5 inches. The average number of rounds fired semiautomatically in one minute in the rate-of-aimed-fire test was 84.2 and the average number of hits obtained on the "E" target at a range of 100 yards was 77.8. During automatic firing in this test, the average number of rounds fired was 128.7, and the average number of hits was 41.3. The average malfunction rate with the rifle held normally was 0.25 per hundred rounds. Only ten parts were broken in firing 18,000 rounds in the endurance test. One of these parts, an extractor spring, was broken during disassembly of the extractor. The AR-15 rifle gave near normal performance in the unlubricated, dust, extreme-cold and rain tests, and it completed the mud test. A cook-off occurred after firing 140 rounds in 54 seconds, but no cook-off occurred in firing 120 rounds in 39 seconds. When fired with a telescopic sight from a bench rest at 100 yards two rifles gave an average mean radius of 1.1 inches for four 10-shot groups from each rifle with each of two lots of ammunition.

1A modified rain test was conducted, see note on page 14.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The AR-15 rifle was previously tested at this station between 20 March and 21 November 1958. The results of that test are contained in Reference 1. The rifle tested previously was an experimental model produced in a limited quantity. The rifle submitted for this test was mass-produced and it incorporated various minor design changes from the experimental rifle. Teletype ORD 10508 dated 12 September 1960 directs that three AR-15 rifles be subjected to the Standard Light Automatic Rifle Test.

2. DESCRIPTION OF MATERIEL

2.1 Rifle, Caliber .223, AR-15

The AR-15 (Figures 1 through 5) is a lightweight, gas-operated rifle equipped with a 20-round, detachable magazine. The rifle is chambered for Cartridge, Caliber .223. This round, when fired in the AR-15 rifle, gives the 55-grain bullet a muzzle velocity of 3200 feet per second. A plastic stock, in line with the bore to minimize rotation of the rifle about the shoulder during firing, is used in conjunction with a high line of sight and a separate grip. The stock has a rubber butt. A two-piece hand guard of metal and plastic is designed for convenient disassembly and rapid dissipation of heat. Sling swivels and a carrying handle are provided. A lever on the left side above the grip, provides a trigger safety, and semiautomatic and automatic fire. A bolt catch retains the bolt to the rear after the last round has been fired. A charging handle at the rear of the receiver is designed to permit operation while wearing mittens. The trigger guard is hinged to permit the trigger to be operated while wearing mittens. A cover is provided for the ejection port in the receiver. A three-prong mussle attachment is threaded to the barrel to serve as a flash suppressor, a grenade launcher, and a front support for a bayonet. The lower part of the front sight is machined to form a beyonet lug. Additional accessories include bayonet, bipod, grenade-launching sight, and a telescopic sight.

The bolt locks in a barrel extension, which is permanently assembled to the barrel, by means of seven locking lugs. This design permits the use of a lightweight receiver to house the operating parts. The bolt carrier is a massive part which has a cam cut to accommodate a pin assembled in the bolt for rotating the bolt through 22 degrees for locking and unlocking.

Gas passes through a 0.092-inch-diameter port in the barrel, located 13.2 inches forward of the bolt face (with the bolt in the locked position), and it is directed through an 0.120-inch-inside-diameter tube to the belt carrier. The bolt carrier is equipped with a tube which fits over the gas tube to direct the gas inside the carrier where it applies a force against the bolt and the carrier. The carrier is forced to the rear 0.035 inch before unlocking of the bolt is completed. Holes in the right side of the carrier permit gas to escape when the bolt has been rotated to the unlocked position. The bolt and carrier then travel to the rear together.

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Project TS1-2/265. Rifle, Caliber .223, AR-15, Figure 1. Top and right side views.



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Project T31-2/265. Rifle, Caliber .223, AR-15, Figure 2. Left side and bottom views.

Use is made of the stock to house a large action spring which operates in a direct line with the carrier.

A firing pin, which retains the cam pin in the bolt, is retained in the carrier by another pin. A limited movement of the firing pin is permitted in the carrier. This serves as a safety feature to prevent contact of the pin with the round except when the bolt is in the locked position.

A spring-loaded ejector is located in the bolt. The extractor is reinforced by a rib.

The receiver is in two parts to permit convenient removal of the operating parts. The upper receiver is secured to the barrel assembly by means of a nut and it houses the bolt and carrier assemblies. The upper receiver is designed to provide a carrying handle which also serves as a base for the rear sight and a telescopic sight. Two lugs are provided on the bottom of the upper receiver for attaching the lower receiver by means of pins. The lower receiver houses the firing mechanism, provides a support for the magazine, and serves as a base for the grip and stock. The action spring operates in a tube threaded to the lower receiver. The stock is retained in position by a screw through the butt to the tube. The operating parts can be disassembled with a round, or similar tool, by pushing out the rear pin. This permits the lower receiver to be rotated away from the upper receiver to expose the bolt carrier which can be withdrawn to the rear. The action spring and buffer assembly are retained in the lower receiver extension by means of a spring-loaded plunger. The action spring and buffer assembly can be removed from the tube by depressing a spring-loaded plunger. The upper and lower receivers can be separated by removing the receiver pivot pin.

The firing mechanism uses a hummer which is rotated to the cocked position by the carrier. The forward movement of the hammer is controlled by the disconnect and trigger in semisutometic fire and by the automatic sear and trigger in automatic fire. When the lever is rotated to the rear position (SAFE) it blocks the trigger, and there is insufficient movement to permit the trigger to disengage the hammer. When the lever is rotated to the downward position (SEMI) sufficient movement of the trigger is permitted to disengage the hammer. When the lever is notated to the forward position (AUTO) it permits a greater movement of the trigger, but not of the disconnect, than when in the downward position. It also permits the automatic sear to rotate forward to engage a lug on the harmer. The disconnect retains the harmer in the rearward position until the trigger has returned to its forward position in semiautomatic fire. When the hammer is rotated to the rear by the carrier the spring-leaded disconnect engages a lug on the rear of the hauser. When the trigger moves to its forward position the harmer disengages from the disconnect permitting it to rotate forward to engage the trigger. In automatic fire the disconnect has no function. Should the trigger be held to the rear with the lever set for automatic fire the automatic sear will hold the nameer to the rear until the automatic sear is rotated by the carrier on its forward movement. Firing will continue until the trigger is released. When the trigger is permitted to rotate to its forward position the automatic sear will disengage the hammer, and the hammer will rotate forward alightly to contact the trigger. The hammer will remain at the rear until the trigger is again operated. The firing mechanism can be disassembled without special tools The automatic sear, trigger and hammer pius are retained in assembly by springs which engage in a circumferential groove in the pin. Use is made of the hammer spring to retain the trigger pin in assembly.

The ejection port cover is spring-loaded so that it is held against the receiver during firing. A catch holds it in the closed position over the port. The catch is disengaged automatically by a cam on the carrier when the carrier moves to the rear.

The barrel has a diameter of 0.65 inch at a point forward of the enlarged chamber section and a minimum diameter of 0.56 inch (excluding the threaded section at the muzzle). The front sight, which also serves as a support for the gas tube, is retained on the barrel by two pins. The front sight post, a truncated cone with a diameter of 0.070 inch at the top, is threaded to the front sight to permit an adjustment for elevation. The post has five notches in its circumference to accommodate a spring-loaded plunger. This permits a movement of the post of 0.0056 inch per notch.

The rear sight is an L-shaped part pivoted on a screw. The sight is spring-loaded to expose one of two 0.078-inch-dismeter apertures on the line of fire. A drum rttached to the screw permits the rear sight to be adjusted for windage will a round or other suitable tool. The drum has five hole: to accept a spring-loaded plunger. This permits an adjustment of the rear sight of 0.0056 inch per hole. This represents an adjustment of one minute of angle per hole. The difference in height between the two apertures is 0.015 inch.

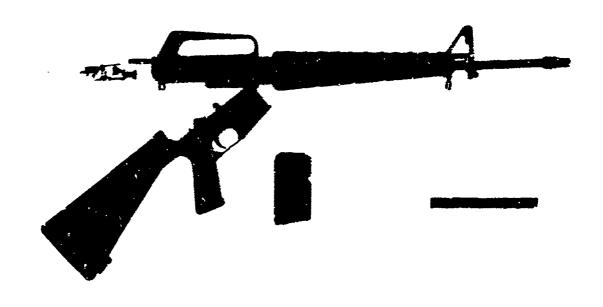
The magazine is retained in the lower receiver by a catch which engages the magazine on the left side. The catch is operated by a button on the right side of the receiver. The magazine can be disengaged without removal of the hand from the grip (right-handed shooter). When the magazine is empty the follower forces the catch up to engage the bolt and retain it at the rear. The bolt may be disengaged from the catch when the magazine has been removed or replaced with one containing rounds by depressing the portion of the catch which extends outside the receiver on the left side or by retracting the charging handle and then releasing it.

The hand guards consist of an aluminum liner attached to a plastic shell by means of ten rivets. The front of the hand guards fit in a yoke positioned on the barrel between the front sight and a shoulder on the barrel and the rear fit in a spring-loaded ring. To disassemble the hand guards from the rifle it is necessary only to retract the ring and rotate each hand guard to the side. Ten elongated holes at the top and six at the bottom of the hand guard are provided for heat dissipation. A coating is applied to the hand guards, stock and grip to provide a dark green color.

Use is made of lightweight and rust-resistant materials in the fabrication of the AR-15 rifle,

No special technique is required to fire the AR-15 rifle.

The bayonet for the AR-15 rifle has an over-all length of 12.1 inches and a blade length of 7.0 inches. The weight of the bayonet is 0.62 pound. The scabbard is 13.0 inches long and weighs 0.32 pound.



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Project T31-2/265. Rifle, Caliber .223, AR-15, Figure 3. Rifle field stripped.





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Project TS1-2/265. Rifle, Caliber .223, AR-15, Figure 4 . Front and rear sights.

2.2 Cartridge, Caliber .223

Ten rounds of lot T20L selected at random gave the following weights in grains:

Round No.	Projectile	Propellant	Primed Case	Complete Round
1	54.80	25.42	92.48	172.7
2	54.72	25.45	92,07	172.2
3	54.89	25.40	92, 52	172.8
ŭ	55.24	25.74	93.60	174.6
5	54.87	25.71	93. 37	173.9
Ġ	54.86	25. 35	93. 55	173.8
7	54.84	25.61	93.06	173. 5
8	54, 41	25.46	91. 35	171, 2
9	54.88	25. 59	92,89	173. 3
10	54.83	25.59	92, 2k	7 2.7
Average	54.83	25. 53	92.71	173.1

The length of the round is 2,24 inches. The length of the case is 1,75 inches and the length of the bullet is 0,73 inch. The bullet dismeter is 0,224 inch. The dismeter of the flash hole in the case is 0,082 inch.

The propellant is an DR type.

2,3 Imbricant

The lubricant used in all phases of the test where lubricant was used, except the rain and extreme-cold phases, was PL-Special Lubricating Oil General Purpose Preservative, MTL-L-644B. PD 500 oil was used in the extreme-cold phase. Lubriplate was used in the rain test.

3. DETAILS OF TEST

Three rifles were subjected to firing tests, and one was used in the disassembly and assembly test. The procedure for the standard light automatic rifle test follows. Test V was not conducted.

STANDARD LIGHT AUTOMATIC RIFLE TEST

TEST I

EXAMINATION

- a. The rifle will be disassembled and an examination made of all parts.
- b. The number and names of all parts and the types of springs will be recorded.

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- c. The weight of the complete rifle. component parts and accessories will be recorded.
- d. The length of the rifle and other pertinent dimensions will be recorded. Dimensions recorded will include barrel length, sight radius, line of sight above bore, and stock dimensions.
 - e. The average trigger pull will be determined.
 - f. The rifle will be photographed in various conditions of disassembly.

TEST II

DISASSEMBLY AND ASSEMBLY

The time and the number and type of tools required for each of the following operations will be recorded:

- a. To disassemble the rifle completely.
- b. To assemble the rifle after complete disassembly.
- c. To dismount the operating parts and magazine mechanism (field strip).
 - d. To assemble the operating parts and magazine mechanism.

TEST III

ACCURACY

- a. Four ten-round targets will be fired at a range of 100 yards from a machine rest or from a bench rest by an expert riflemen.
- b. A test will be conducted to investigate the accuracy that can be obtained when the rifle is fired under various conditions similar to those encountered in combat. Three riflemen will each fire the following course at 100 yards with the test rifle:
- (1) With sights properly adjusted and with a fouled bore, one 10-round target will be fired from a bench rest.
- (2) The rifle will be disassembled (field stripped), cleaned, oiled, and reassembled.
- (3) Starting with a cold and oiled bore, one 10-round target will be fired from a bench rest.
- (4) One 10-round target will be fired from the prone position using a sling.
 - (5) One hundred rounds will be fired as rapidly as possible.

- (6) Immediately after firing the 100 rounds one 10-round target will be fired from a bench rest.
- (7) Another 10-round target will be fired immediately from the prone position using a sling.
- c. Three riflemen will each fire ten three-round bursts at a range of 25 yards from the standing position. The course will be repeated from the prone position. A suitable control rifle may be used.
- d. Three individuals will fire as many aimed shots as possible in a one-minute period with each semiautomatic and automatic fire. The course will be fired three times per individual and the hits recorded on the E* target at 100 yards.
- e. Six individuals will fire a standard qualification course with the rifle.

TEST IV

ENDURANCE

The rifle will be fired 6000 rounds for endurance, firing alternately 100 rounds semiautomatically and 100 rounds automatically. The rifle will be cooled after each 100 rounds. The entire mechanism may be disassembled, cleaned and ciled after each 600 rounds. All malfunctions, breakages and replacement of parts will be recorded. The instrumental velocity will be measured on 20 rounds, before and after the endurance test. Accuracy will be checked before and after the test. In the endurance test 100 rounds will be fired semiautomatically and 100 rounds will be fired automatically under each of the following conditions:

- a. With the rifle held loosely in the hands,
- b. With the rifle held right side up.
- c. With the rifle held left side up.
- d. With the rifle held loosely in the hands at an elevation of 80 degrees.
- e. With the rifle held in a normal manner at an elevation of 80 degrees.
- f. With the rifle held loosely in the hands at a depression of 80 degrees.
- g. With the rifle held in a normal manner at a depression of 80 degrees.

TEST V

FLASH

The cumulative flash from 20 rounds fired semiautomatically in a completely dark range will be recorded photographically by means of 4- by-5-inch

""E" target is a silhouette target corresponding to a kneeling man (Ref FM-23-5).

camera using a lens opening of f 2.5 and a film having a Weston rating of 100. The camera will be placed at a right angle to the muzzle at a distance of 4.5 feet.

TEST VI

UNLUBRICATED

The rifle will be cleaned in solvent and left in an unlubricated condition. One hundred rounds will then be fired alternating between semiautomatic and automatic fire.

TEST VII

EXTREME COLD

The rifle will be cleaned, lightly oiled, and placed with a loaded magazine of room maintained at -65°F, for a 12-hour period prior to firing. After this period an attempt will be made to fire 20 rounds (or the capacity of the magazine, semiautomatically. If satisfactory functioning is obtained, a similar number of rounds will be fired automatically after an additional two hours.

TEST VIII

DUST

The rifle will be cleaned and lightly oiled. It will be fully loaded and the safety will be placed in the "ON" position. The rifle will then be placed in the dust box and exposed to the dust for one minute top side up and for one minute upside down. The dust mixture, which is made by mixing nine pounds of Grace O Albany sand with one pound of clean silica core sand which passed 100 percent through a 30 mesh sieve, 80 percent through a 50 mesh, and 3.4 percent through a 100 mesh, will be poured at a rate of five pounds per minute through the pourhole while the blower is turned at a handle speed of 60 revolutions per minute. The shooter will attempt to clean the rifle by wiping with his bare hands and by blowing sharply on the congested areas of the action. An attempt will be made to fire 20 rounds (or the capacity of the magazine).

TEST IX

MUD

The rifle will be cleaned, lightly oiled, and the muzzle taped to exclude the mud from the bore. The rifle will be immersed completely in the mud for a period of 15 seconds. The mud mixture is made in the proportion of ten pounds of red clay and two pounds of clean river sand with eight quarts of water. The sand is approximately the same grading as that used in the dust test. The shooter will remove the tape from the muzzle and attempt to clean the rifle by wiping with the bare hands and by blowing on the congested areas of the action. An attempt will be made to fire 20 rounds (or the capacity of the magazine).

TEST X

NIN

The rifle will be clossed, lubricated and subjected to spray which is directed over the entire rifle by means of a 1/2-inch pipe having 0.059-inch holes spaced 1/2-inch apart. The pipe will be positioned three feet above the rifle. The following procedure will be used:

- a. The rifle, in a horizontal position, will be exposed to the spray for five minutes with the bolt retracted and for five minutes with the bolt closed. The rifle will be loaded when the bolt is closed. After this time the gun will be fired 100 rounds semiautomatically.
- b. The procedure in "a" will be repeated, except that the gun will be fired automatically.
- c. The procedure in "a" will be repeated, except that the rifle will be exposed to the spray with muzzle up. The rifle will be fired 100 rounds semi-automatically in a horizontal position. Before firing, the muzzle of the rifle will be depressed to permit water accumulating in the bore to run out. 1
- d. The procedure in 'c" will be repeated except that the gun will be fired automatically.
- e. The procedure in "c" will be repeated except that the rifle will be exposed to the spray with muzzle down.
 - i. The procedure in "e" will be repeated.

TEST XI

COOK-OFF

The rifle will be subjected to a test to determine the minimum number of rounds which may be fired before sufficient heating of the chamber occurs to result in a premature explosion of the cartridge. The firing will be conducted as rapidly as possible employing preloaded magazines. An attempt will be made to bracket the cook-off point in number of rounds fired.

Complete test data are attached as Appendix B. There follows a summary of results.

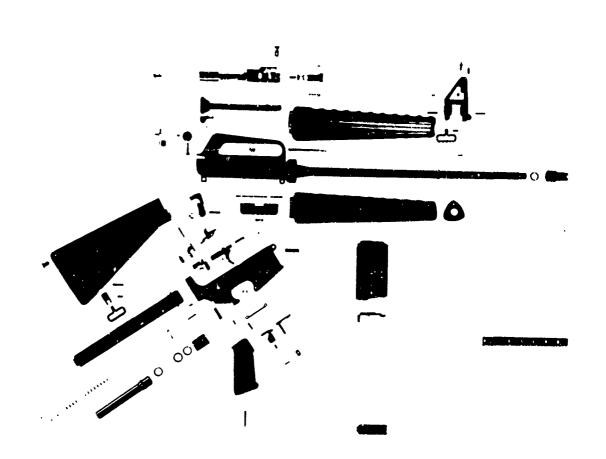
TEST I (EXAMINATION)

NOMENCIATURE LIST

The names of the parts correspond to the numbers in Figure 5 as follows:

- 1. Pin, Firing Pin Retaining
- 2. Pin, Bolt Com

Inis procedure was modified in this test, in that the bolt was retracted slightly when the muzzle was depressed, to facilitate removal of water from the bore.



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- 3. Pin, Ejector
- 4. Spring, Ejector
- 5. Ejector
- 6. Bolt Assembly composed of:

Bolt

Ring, Bolt (3)

- 7. Spring, Extractor
- 8. Pin, Extractor
- 9. Extractor
- 10. Pin, Firing
- 11. Bolt Carrier and Key Assembly composed of:

Carrier, Bolt

Key, Bolt Carrier

Screw, Socket Head Cap (2)

- 12. Spring, Charging Hardle
- 13. Handle, Charging
- 14. Catch, Charging Handle
- 15. Pin, Charging Handle Catch
- 16. Post, Front Sight
- 17. Detent, Front Sight
- 18. Spring, Front Sight Detent
- 19. Pin, Gas Tube
- 20. Sight, Front
- 21 and 22. Pins, Front Sight Taper
- 23. Hand Guard Assembly LH composed of:

Hand Guard, LH

Liner, LH

Rivets (10)

- 24. Swivel, Front
- 25. Pin, Front Swivel
- 26. Sight, Rear
- 27. Spring, Rear Sight Detent
- 28. Detent, Rear Sight
- 29. Drum, Rear Sight Windage
- 30. Spring, Rear Sight
- 31. Pin, Rear Sight Windage Drum
- 32. Screw, Rear Sight Windage
- 33. Barrel and Upper Receiver Assembly composed of:

Berrel

Extension, Barrel

Pin, Barrel Indexing

Mut, Berrel

Receiver, Upper

Ring, Hand Guard Slip

Ring, Hand Guard Snap

Spring, Hand Guard Slip Ring (An assembly not designed for disassembly.)

- 34. Tube, Gas
- 35. Washer, Flash Suppressor Lock
- 36. Suppressor, Flash
- 37. Pin, Ejection Port Cover
- 38. Ring, Ejection Port Cover Pin Retaining
- 39. Cover, Ejection Port
- 40. Spring, Ejection Port Cover

- 41. Spring, Ejection Port Cover Catch
- 42. Catch, Ejection Port Cover
- 43. Pin, Ejection Port Cover Catch
- 44. Hand Guard Assembly RH composed of:

Hand Guard, RH

Liner, RH

Rivets (10)

- 45. Cap, Hand Guard
- 46. Screw, Butt Cap
- 47. Stock
- 48. Block, Rear Sling Swivel
- 49. Swivel, Rear Sling
- 50. Pin, Rear Sling Swivel Base
- 51. Pin, Rear Sling Swivel
- 52. Hanner
- 53. Spring, Hammer
- 54. Pin, Hammer
- 55. Pin, Automatic Sear
- 56. Disconnect
- 57. Automatic Sear Assembly composed of:

Bushing, Automatic Sear

Sear, Automatic

Spring, Automatic Sear

- 58. Retainer, Buffer
- 59. Spring, Buffer Retainer
- 60. Safety
- 61. Spring, Disconnect

- 62. Spring, Trigger
- 63. Trigger
- 64. Pin, Trigger
- 65. Extention, Lover Receiver
- 66. Spring, Takedown Pin Detent
- 67. Detent, Takedown Pin
- 68. Pin, Lower Receiver Extention
- 69. Receiver, Lower
- 70. Pin, Receiver Pivot (An essembly not designed for disassembly)
- 71. Spring, Action
- 72. Guide, Action Spring
- 73. Pin, Buffer
- 74. Ring, Buffer End
- 75. Ring, Buffer Outer
- 76. Ring, Buffer Inner and Ring, Buffer Outer
- 77. Ring, Buffer End
- 78. Cap, Buffer
- 79. Pin, Takedown
- 80. Detent, Safety
- 81. Spring, Safety Detent
- 82. Pin, Trigger Guard Pivot
- 83. Guard, Trigger
- 84. Pin, Trigger Guard
- 85. Plunger, Trigger Guard
- 86. Spring, Trigger Guard
- 87. Grip, Pistol
- 88. Lockwasher

- 89, Screw, Pistol Grip
- 90. Catch, Bolt
- 91. Plunger, Bolt Catch
- 92. Spring, Bolt Catch
- 93. Pin, Bolt Catch
- 94, Plate, Magazine Catch
- 95. Spring, Magazine Catch
- 96. Button, Magazine Catch
- 97. Tube, Magazine Assembly composed of:

Box

Retainer, Magazine Floor Plate

Rivets (3)

- 98. Follower, Megazine
- 99. Spring, Magazine
- 100. Plate, Magazine Floor

WEIGHTS AND MEASUREMENTS

Weights and measurements are averages for rifles number 614, 682 and 835. Weights are given in pounds and measurements in inches.

WEIGHTS

Rifle without magazine or sling (with flash suppressor)	6.24
Empty magazine	0.18
One round of assumition	0.0248
Magazine capacity (rounds)	* 20
Rifle with loaded magazine	્6,92
Recoiling parts	⁶ 0.98
Stock	J. 50
Hand guards	0.69
Flash suppressor and washer	0.10
Trigger pull (average of 5 trials for each rifle)	8.7

^{*21} rounds can be inserted but the magazine was loaded with a maximum of 20 in this test.

b Includes bolt assembly, bolt carrier assembly, buffer assembly and action spring.

MEASUREMENTS

Over-all length with flash suppressor Over-all length without flash suppressor Barrel length (face of bolt to muzzle) Sight radius Line of sight above bore Butt to trigger Pitch from line of bore Line of sight to forward end of comb	38.8 37.5 20.0 19.8 2.5 12.8 *5°
Barrel: Rifling	
One turn in	14.0
Number of grooves	6
Number of parts	142
Number of coil springs	15
Number of flat springs	15 2
Number of torsion springs	4

TRET II (DISASSEMBLY AND ASSEMBLY)

The time given is the average required for two trials by each of three individuals.

Number of tools required to disassemble rifle		5		
Time required to disassemble rifle	7	min	49	sec
Number of tools required to assemble rifle after disassemb	ly	5		
Time required to assemble rifle after disassembly	19	min	17	sec
Number of tools required to dismount operating parts and magazine		þ		
Time required to dissount operating parts and magazine		5	8ec	
Number of parts required to assemble operating parts		р		
Time required to assemble operating parts and magazine		6	sec	

TEST III (ACCURACY)

Legend:

MR - Mean Radius

MVD - Mean Vertical Deviation

MVD - Mean Horizontal Deviation

MHD - Mcan Horizontal Deviation

EVD - Extreme Vertical Deviation

CI - Center of Dapact

Bench-Rest Accuracy

The averages for four 10-shot targets fired from a bench rest at a range of 100 yards are given in inches.

Rifle No.	MR	XVD	MED	EVD	KRD	<u>188</u>	
614 682	1.3	0.8	0.8 0.9	3.2	3.5	4.2	
682	1.7	1.2	0.9	5.0	3.9	4.2 5.5	
835	1.4	1.0	0.7	4.5	2.9	5.0	
Average	1.5	1.0	0.8	4.2	3.4	4 on a line extending across butt.	
Angle be	tween	a norm	al to the	line of	bore a	nd a line extending across butt.	
No tool	is rec	quired,	but it w	ras found	conven:	ient to use a tool to start or	
positi	lon the	e takedo	own pin.	21			

Combat Accuracy

The averages for five targets, each fired under a different condition at a range of 100 yards, for each rifle are given in inches.

Rifle No.	Mean From Normal CI	MR	ES	Extreme Shot to Normal CI
614	3.2	1.9	6.2	5.9
682	5.3	2.2	8.0	8.9
835	3.5	2.6	11.4	9.5
Average	4.0	2.2	8.5	8.1

Automatic Accuracy

The averages for ten three-round bursts by each of three shooters at a range of 25 yards are given in inches.

		30-Shot Target						
Firing Position	Mean for Shots Fired Automatically	Mean From Aiming Point	3/	EH	<u>183</u>			
Prone Standing	34.2 68.9	22.1 45.6	49.9 103.0	20.0 46.9	52.1 110.0			

The first shot in each burst is considered a samisutomatically-fired shot.

Rate of Aimed Fire

The average number of shots fired and number of hits obtained on the "E" target at a range of 100 yards in one minute (three trials by each of three riflemen) are given below. Firing was from the prone position.

Type Fire	No. of Shots Fired	No. of Bursts	No. of Hits Obtained
Semiautomatic	84.2		77.8
Automatic	128.7	26	41.3

In the rate-of-aimed-fire test the shooter attempted to fire four bursts per magazine in the automatic-fire phase.

An asbestos glove was worn by the shooter in the combat-accuracy and rate of-aimed-fire tests because the rifle was found to be uncomfortable to hold by the hand guards after firing 130 rounds at a rapid rate.

The vibration of the action spring could be felt on the face during firing.

Test phase III, e, was not conducted because the error of the individual is a large factor in the scores produced and, therefore, data generated in this phase are of little value unless a control weapon is used.

TEST IV (ENDURANCE)

	Rifle Number	
614	<u>685</u>	835
Number of broken or damaged parts replaced during firing		h
cycles 2	2	5
Number of broken or damaged parts replaced between firing		
cycles	0	1
bThe extractor spring was broken during disassembly.		

MALFUNCTIONS PER HUNDRED ROUNDS

Rifle held loosely in hands	0.5	0.0	0.5
Rifle held right side up	1.0	1.0	0.0
Rifle held left side up	0.0	0.0	0.0
Rifle held at an elevation of 80°	0.25	0.0	0.0
Rifle held at a depression of 80°	0.0	1.0	0.25
Rifle held normally	0 22	0.41	0.11
Average velocity loss in firing 6000 rounds (fee	et per second)		
	148	154	176
Average accuracy before test (MR at 100 yards)	1.3	1.7	1.4
Average accuracy after test (MR at 100 yards)	2.6	2.0	2.3

Rifle number 835 gave poorer endurance performance than the other two rifles in this test; there was a greater loss in velocity, and a greater number of parts were broken. The bore on rifle number 835 showed much greater wear than the other rifles after the endurance test, and it appears probable that this rifle was fired a large number of rounds before it was submitted for this test.

Only the bolt and bolt-carrier assemblies were removed from the rifle and cleaned after each 600-round firing cycle in the endurance test. The chamber was cleaned with a brush after each firing cycle, but the bore was not cleaned during the endurance test. No stoppages occurred which could be attributed to a lack of maintenance in this test.

TEST VI (UNLUBRICATED)

A total of 100 rounds were fired in each rifle (50 rounds were fired semiautomatically and 50 rounds were fired automatically) after the rifle had been cleaned in solvent and left in an unlubricated condition.

Rifle Number	Number of Malfunctions	Remarks
614	1	The bolt failed to remain at the rear after the last round in magazine.
682	0	•
835	0	

TEST VII (EXTREME COLD)

Twenty rounds were fired semiautomatically in each rifle after an exposure of 12 hours to a temperature of -65°F, and 20 rounds were fired automatically after an additional exposure of 2 hours.

Rifle Number	Number of Malfunctions	Remarks
614	o	
682	0	
835	0	

TEST VIII (DUST)

Ten rounds were fired semiautomatically, and 10 were fired automatically from each rifle after exposure to the dust.

Rifle Number	Number of Malfunctions	Remarks
614	0	
682	2	A failure to feed occurred because the magazine was not latched and a failure to extract occurred (partial rim shear of case).
835	0	

TEST IX (MUD)

Rifle Number	Number of Rounds Fired	Type Fire	Number of Malfunctions	Remarks
614	10	Semiautomatic	0	
614	10	Automatic	6	The bolt carrier lacked energy to lock the bolt on 3 occasions, 2 failures to feed, and 1 failure to eject.
682	10	Semiautomatic	2	The trigger failed to go forward on 2 occasions.
682	10	Automatic	2	The bolt carrier lacked energy to lock the bolt on 2 occasions.
682	10	Semiautomatic	5	The trigger failed to go forward on 4 occasions, and 1 failure to feed occurred.
682	10	Semiautomatic ^a	9	The bolt carrier lacked energy to lock the bolt on 2 occasions; the bolt failed to remain at the rear after the last round in the magazine on 1 occasion; and 6 failures of the trigger to go forward occurred.

Tt was attempted to fire automatically but the lever could not be rotated to the AUTO position.

Rifle Number	Number of Rounds Fired	Type Fire	Number of Malfunctions	Remarks
835	13	Semiautomatic	1	The trigger failed to go forward on 1 occasion.
მ 3 5	7	Automatic	1	The bolt carrier lacked energy to lock the bolt on 1 occasion.
835	14	Semiautomatic	9	The bolt carrier lacked energy to lock the bolt on 5 occasions, and 4 failures to feed occurred.
835	6	Automatic	9	The bolt carrier lacked energy to lock the bolt on 7 occasions, and 2 failures to feed occurred.

Twenty additional rounds were fired in rifles number 682 and 835 at the request of a representative.

TEST X (RAIN)

Each rifle was fired 600 rounds alternating between semiautomatic and automatic fire.

Rifle Number	Number of Malfunctions	Remarks
614	1	The bolt failed to lock fully on the first round from the magazine with muzzle up.
682	1	As above.
835	9	The bolt failed to lock fully on the first round from the magazine with muzzle up on loccasion; on 7 occasions the bolt failed to remain at the rear after firing the last round in a magazine; and on one occasion the trigger pin partially disassembled causing the rifle to fire automatically.

TEST XI (COOK-OFF)

Rifle Number	Number of Rounds Fired	Time for Firing®	Results
614	140	1 min 15 sec	No cook-off. A faulty bolt
614	160	50 sec	catch caused several stoppages. A cook-off occurred in 18 seconds.

arime from firing first round to chambering of cook-off round.

Rifle Number	Number of Rounds Fired	Time for Firing	Results
682	140	54 sec	A cook-off occurred in 51 seconds. No cook-off.
835	120	39 sec	

SPECIAL ACCURACY TESTS

Several additional tests were conducted at a range of 100 yards to further investigate the accuracy of the AR-15 rifle. Complete data are included in Appendix B. There follows a summary of results. Average measurements for four 160-round targets are given in inches.

Rifle No.	MR	MVD	MHD	EVD	EHD	ES
						escopic sight.
689	1.0	0.6	0.8	2.2	2.7	3.0
645	1.2	0.7	0.8	3.4	3.5	4.2
Average	1.1	0.65	0.8	2.8	3.1	3.6
	from a be	nch rest	with lot	T20L usi	ng a tele	escopic sight
	1.2					5.1
645	1.0	0.6	0.7	2,6	2.8	3.6
Average	1.1	0.75	0.7	3.25	3.0	4.35
	from a me	chine rea	st with le	ot U14F.		
689	1.2	0.9	0.7	3.4	2.9	4.3
645	1.0	0.7	0.7	2.8	2.6	3.2
Average	1.1	0.8	0.7	3.1	2.75	3.75
Fired from a machine rest using lot T20L.						
689			0.8		4.0	5.2
645			0.9		4.2	5.8
Average	1,3	0.85	0.85	4.2	4.1	5.5

The average difference in center of impact when firing with and without the bayonet was 1.8 inches at 100 yards.

aTime from firing first round to chambering of cook-off round.

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 IN THE IDMEDIATE FUTURE BY COOPER-MACDONALD, INC. REQUEST FINAL ENGINEERING

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APPENDIX B

Test Data

Disassembly and Assembly Tests

Dates of Test: 19 October 1960

Time and tools required to disassemble rifle as illustrated in photograph S18-OC1-2877-1005-54-4P/ORD-60:

- Tools required: 1. Punch, 0.055-inch
 - 2. Punch, 0.090-inch
 - 3. Punch, 0.106-inch
 4. Screwdriver, 1/4-inch blade 5. Hammer, 1/4-pound brass

Manda 7 21-	Individual				
Trial No.	Crowther	Eller	Hendricks	Average	
1 2 Average	8 min, 57 sec 7 min, 30 sec 8 min, 14 sec	7 min, 27 sec 6 min, 58 sec 7 min, 12 sec	8 min, 44 sec 7 min, 19 sec 8 min, 2 sec	8 min, 23 sec 7 min, 16 sec 7 min, 49 sec	

Time and tools required to assemble rifle after disassembly:

Tools required: 1. Punch, 0.055-inch 2. Punch, 0.090-inch

- 3. Punch, 0,106-inch
- 4. Screwdriver, 1/4-inch blade 5. Hammer, 1/4-pound brass

Trial No.	Crowther	Individual Eller	Hendricks	Average
1 2 Average	19 min, 1 sec 18 min, 44 sec 18 min, 52 sec	19 min, 52 sec 19 min, h sec 19 min, 28 sec	21 min, 5 sec 17 min, 59 sec 19 min, 32 sec	19 min, 59 sec 18 min. 36 sec

Time and tools required to dismount the operating parts and magazine, as illustrated in photograph S18-001-2876-1005-51:-5P/ORD-60:

Tools required: No tool is required but it was found convenient to use a tool to start the takedown pin.

	Individual			
Trial No.	Crowther	Eller	Hendri.cks	Average
1	6 se c	5 sec	4 sec	5 sec
2	6 sec	5 sec	4 sec	5 sec
Average	6 se c	5 sec	4 sec	5 ве с

Time and tools required to assemble the operating parts and magazine.

Tools required: No tool is required but it was found convenient to use a tool to position the takedown pin.

Individual						
Trial No.	Crowther	Eller	Hendricks	Average		
ı	6 sec	5 sec	7 sec	6 se c		
2	6 s /sc	6 sec	5 sec	6 sec		
Average	6 sec	6 se c	6 se c	6 se c		

Function Reports

Legend:

A = Automatic.

8 = Semiautomatic.

FF = Failure to feed.

FJ = Failure to eject.

FX = Failure to extract.

88 - Single shot.

BCE = Bolt catch engaged before last round in rifle was fired.

BLE = Bolt carrier lacked energy to lock bolt (other than first round).

FBC = Failure of bolt to lock fully on first round from magazine,

FER = Pailure of bolt to remain at rear after firing last round.

FFR = Failure to fire.

FIF = Failure of trigge: to go forward.

F2R = Fired two or more rounds with one rearward movement of trigger.

SAT = Satisfactory.

Total No. of
No. Rds Rds Fired Type
Time Fired on Test Fire Function Remarks

Rifle, Caliber .223, AR-15, Number 614 Cartridge, Caliber .223, Lot UL4F

The rifle was inspected, and the weights and measurements were recorded.

ACCURACY TESTS

100-Yard Bench-Rest Accuracy Test

21 September 1960

The rifle was field stripped and lubricated.

1047	16	16	з	TAB	Sighting shots fired by Hendricks.
1052 to 1106	40	56	ន	SAT	Fired by Hendricks : a bench-rest,
	1	00-Yard Comb	at-Accura	cy Test	
1417	10	66	ន	SAT	Fired by Hendricks in a bench-rest.
1524	10	76	8	8a t	Fired by Hendricks i
1532	10	86	s	SAT	Fired by Hendricks in prove position with aling and asbeston
1539	100	186	A	SAT	Fired by Davis. 2 paraproxions in pin indent in pris
1540	10	196	3	SAT .	Fired by Hendricks : bench-rest.
1544	10	206	8	8AT	Fired by Hendricks ; prone position wit sling and asbesto
00 (In-A-	-> 3060				manage man assays and

22 September 1960

25-Yard Automatic-Accuracy Test

0825 1530 to	3	209	8	SAT	Pouling shots.
1556	3 0	239	A	SAT	Fired by Hendricks from standing position.

Time 23 Sept	No. Rds Fired ember 1960	Total No. of Rds Fired on Test	Type Fire	Function	Remarks
_	•				
0851 1246 to	3	242	8	8AT	Fouling shots.
1259	30	272	A	SAT	Fired by Hendricks from prone position with sling, 1 perforation in firing pin indent in primer.
		100-Yard R	ate-Of-	Aimed-Fire	Test
1515 to 1516	80	352	s	SAT	Fired by Hendricks from prone position with sling and asbestos glove.
26 Septe	mber 1960				
0930 to					
0931 2040 to	126	478	A	SAT	Fired by Hendricks from prone position with sling and asbestos glove. I small leak in primer joint, I perforation in firing pin indent in primer.
1041 1145 to	99	577	s	Bat	Fired by Hendricks from prone position with sling and asbestos glove.
1146 1345 to	140	717	A	1-17BC	Fired by Hendricks from prone position with sling and asbestos glove. 3 perforations in firing pin indent in primer.
1346 1440 to	88	805	8	SAT	Fired by Hendricks from prone position with sling and ambestos glove. A small sheet metal acrew approximately 1/4-inch long fell out of the hand guard.
1441	139	944·	A	S AT	Fired by Hendricks from prone position with sling and asbestos glove. 2 perforations in firing pin indent in primer.

Time	No. Rds Fired	Total No. of Rds Fired on Test	Type Fire	Function	Remarks
		1	ENDURANC	e test	
			Velocit	y Test	
27 Se	eptember 1960				
	The rifle was	disassembled,	cleaned	and lubric	ated.
1137	3 .	947	8	Sat	Fouling shots.
1138 1143		969	8	SAT	
	Rifle held nor	mally.			
3 505	100	1069		CAR	
1505 1532		1169	B A	bat Bat	Cyclic rate 769 rounds per minute.
28 84	ptember 1960				
	Fired with the	rifle hald lo	osely in	the hands	•
0930	100	1269	8	SAT	
1019		1269 1369	Ã	1-FFR	Light firing pin indent in primer. 1. perforation in primer.
	Fired with the	rifle beld ri	ght side	up.	
1058	100	1469	8	2- F 3C	
1143		1569	Å	SAT	
rifle	The rifle was held left sid		cleaned	and lubric	ated. Fired with the
1.356	100	1669	s	EAT	
1444	100	1769	Å	SAT	1 perforation in firing pin indent in primer.
29 S e	eptember 1960				
	Fired with the	rifle held lo	osely at	a depress	ion of 80°.
0915	100	1869	8	8AT	-
1000	100	1969	Å	BAT	

Time	No. Rds Fired	Total No. of Rds Fired on Test e rifle held no	, 	Function at a depre	Remarks ession of 80°.
1052	100	2069		SAT	
,1126	, 100	2169	A	Sat	
the r		disassembled, sely at an clev			icated. Fired with
1339	100	2269	s	SAT	
1413	100	2369	A	1-BCE	 perforations in firing pin indent in primer. The bolt catch was disassembled. The spring was stretched.
	Fired with th	e rifle held no	ormally	at an eler	vation of 80°.
1442	100	2469	ន	SAT	
1503	100	2569	A	Sat	
	Fired with th	e rifle held n	ormally.	•	
1518	100	2669	S	SAT	
1539	100	~769	A	Sat	
30 Be	eptember 1960				
	The rifle was	disassembled,	cleaned	and lubr	icated.
100).	100	2859	ន	SAT	
1049	100	2969	A	SAT	
1124 1240	100		. S	SAT	
1322	100 100	3169 3269	A S	sat sat	
1349		. 3369	A	1-FBR	
		disassembled,	cleaned	and lubr	icated.
1418	130	3469	s	SAT	
1455	100	3569	A	SAT	
1524	100	3669	S	1-FX	The extractor was broken. It was repaired.
1 Oc	tober 1960				
0856	100	3769	A	SAT	
0914	100	3869	S	SAT	
0933	100	3969	A	SAT	

Time	No. Rds Fired	Total No. of Rds Fired on Test	Type Fire	Function	n Remarks
		disassembled, t was replaced.		and lubr	ricated. The firing
1027	100	40 69	8	SAT	
1055	100	4169	A	SAT	l perforation in firing pin indent in primer.
1142	100	4269	8	SAT	-
1240	100	4369	A	Sat	
1305	100	4469	8	SAT	
1325	100	4569	A	Sat	
T	he rifle was	disassembled,	cleaned	and lubr	ricated.
1410	100	4669	8	1-FF	
1426	100	4769	Ā	SAT	l perforation in firing pin indent in primer.
1446	100	486 9	S	SAT	•
1510	100	4969	A	Sat	
1531	100	5069	S	1-FBC	
1550	100	5159	A	1-BCE	
3 Octo	ber 1960		•		
		disassembled,		and lubi	ricated. The extractor
spring	was broken.	It was replace	ced,		
1115	100	5269	g	1-FBR	
1134	100	5369	Ā	SAT	
125_	100	54 6 9	S	SAT	
1324	100	5569	A	SAT	
1350	100	5669	ŝ	1-FFR	No indentation in primer on failure to fire.
1408	100	5769	A	Sat	
ı	he rifle was	disassembled,	cleaned	and lubi	ricated.
1448	100	5869	g	1-FBR	
1503	100	5969	Ā	SAT	
1518	100	6069	8	SAT	
1534	100	6169	A	SAT	
1550	100	62 69	8	SAT	
	ber 1960				
0941	100	6369	A	SAT	

Time	No. Ràs Fired	Total No. of Rds Fired on Test	Type Fire	Function	Remarks
	The rifle was	disassembled,	clean	ed and lub	ricated.
1055 1126 1151 1244 1304 1332	100 100 100 100 100	6469 6569 6669 6769 6869 6969	S A S A S A	SAT 1-BCE SAT SAT SAT 1-BCE	Cyclic rate 749 rounds per minute. The firing pin was broken. It was replaced. 1 perforation in firing pin indent in primer.

The rifle was disassembled, cleaned and lubricated.

100-Yard Bench-Rest Accuracy Test						
1442 1444 to	3	6972	s	Sat	Fouling shots.	
1457	40	7012	8	Sat	Fired by Hendricks from a bench-rest	

5 October 1960

The rifle was disassembled and inspected. It was observed that there was moderate wear at the breech. All ten rivets in the left hand guard were broken.

	Velocity Test						
1057 1059 to	3	7015	SS	SAT	Fouling shots,		
1112	26	7041	SS	SAT			

EXTREME COLD TEST

The rifle was disassembled, cleaned, lubricated and subjected to a temperature of -65°F for a 12-hour period. The trigger was broken. It was not replaced.

6 Octob	er 1960			
0843	20	7061	s	SAT
1053	20	7081	A	SAT

Total	No.	of
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	No. Rds	Rds Fired	Type		
Time	Fired	on Test	Fire	Aunction	Remarks
-	-			Andread Annie State Contract C	

UNLUBRICATED TEST

The rifle was disassembled, cleaned in solvent, and left in an unlubricated condition. The broken trigger pin was replaced.

1344	50	7131	s	Sat
	-		<u> </u>	
134A	50	7181	A	1-FBR

DUST TEST

The rifle was disassembled, cleaned and lubricated.

1511	10	7191	S	SAT
1512	10	7201	A	SAT

MOD TEST

The rifle was disassembled, cleaned and lubricated.

7 October 1960

	7211	S	SAT	
10	7221	A	3-ELE 2-FF 1-FJ	It was difficult to retract the operating parts. The butt of the rifle was forced against the ground while applying a force to the charging handle on several occasions to retract the operating parts. The magazine was removed and two rounds which were ejected as the result of stoppages, were inserted. The ragazine was difficult to insert in the receiver.
	10	·	·	10 7221 A 3-RLE 2-FF

RAIN TEST

The rifle was disassembled, cleaned and lubricated with lubriplate.

8 October 1960

The rifle was subjected to the spray in a horizontal position.

Time	No. Rds Fired	Total No. of Rds Fired or Test	Type Fire	Function	Remarks
0942 to 0947	100	7321	s	SAT	
0957 to 0958	100	7421	A	SAT	

The rifle was subjected to the spray with the muzzle up. The muzzle was depressed and the bolt was retracted slightly to permit water in the bore to run out before firing. The rifle was fired in a horizontal position.

1033 to 1037 1048 to	100	7521.	s	SAT	
1049	100	7621	A	1-FBC	The bolt failed to lock fully on the first round from a magazine while the rifle was suspended in a vertical position. 9 perforations in firing pin indent in primer.

The rifle was subjected to the spray with muzzle down. It was fired in a horizontal position.

1101 to 1104 1115 to	.100	7721	8	SAT	
1116	100	7821	A	BAT	4 perforations in firing pin indent in primer.

The rifle was disassembled, cleaned and inspected.

COOK-OFF TEST

10 October 1960

Weather for this test: Temperature 60 to 65° F. Density 1.015 to 1.006. Wind NE 0 to 4 mph.

09 3 9	140	7961	A	3- FB R 1-FF 1-FFR	The bolt catch failed to remain in position during firing and caused several additional stoppages. All stoppages were probably caused by a faulty bolt catch. The rifle could be handled without discomfort after firing. Time from firing first round to loading of cook-off round 1 min, 15 sec. No cook-off. The bolt catch spring was replaced.
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Time	No. Rds Fired	Total No. of Rds Fired on Test	Type Fire	Function	Remarks
1030	160	8121	A	1-FBR	Time from firing first round to loading of cook-off round 50 sec. A cook-off occurred in 18 sec.

The rifle was inspected.

The stock was cracked for 2 inches forward of the butt at the heel.

The lower receiver was worn slightly at the point of contact with the bolt catch.

The profile of the firing pin was pitted.

The follower on all magazines was dented at the point of contact with bolt.

Rifle, Caliber .223, AR-15 Number 645 Cartridge, Caliber .223, Lot Ul4F

ACCURACY TESTS

100-Yard Bench-Rest Accuracy Test

5 October 1960

The rifle was field stripped and lubricated.

A 3 x 25 power telescope sight was mounted on the rifle for the bench-rest accuracy test.

A target (with 10-inch center) was used for an aiming point.

1330 1337 to	7	7	S	SAT Sighting shots.
1337 to 1345	20	27	S	SAT Fired by Rendricks from a

An ISU fifty-meter small bore rifle target (with a 4.5-inch bull's-eye) was used for an 4iming point.

1430 1432 to	5	32	S	SAT	Sighting shots.
1556	40	72	s	SAT	Fired by Hendricks from a

Cartridge, Caliber .223, Lot T20L

1510 to
1528 40 112 Fired by Hendricks from a bench-rest.

<u>Time</u>	No. Rds Fired	Total No. or Rds Fired on Test	Type Fire	Function	Remarks
		100-Yard Mac	nine-Rest Acc	curacy Test	
		Cartridge,	Caliber .223	, Lot UlliF	
1905 1925 to	10	122	SS	Sat	Settling shots.
2005	40	162	SS.	SAT	
		Cartridge,	Caliber .223	, Lot T20L	
2015 to 2055	40	202	SS	SAT	
		3)	PECIAL TESTS		
			nch-Rest Acc	uracy Test	
6 Octob	er 1960				
A	target (wi	th a 10-inch	center) was	used for an	aiming point.
1326	7	209	S	SAT	Sighting shots.
1330 to	10	21.9	S	SAT	Fired t Perrin from a bench est.
1338 to 1342	10	229	S	SAT	Fired by Perrin from a bench-rest with bayonet attached.
1515 to 1520	10	239	S	SAT	Fired by Perrin from a bench-rest with mod- ified hand guards.
1522 to 1527	10	249	s	SAT	Fired by Perrin from a bench-rest without hand guards.
7 Octob	er 1960				
1049	3	252	S	SAT	Sighting shots fired by Perrin.
1050 to	20	5,15	S	SAT	Fired by Perrin from a bench-rest with the flash suppressor attached.
1105 to 1110	20	292	S	SAT	Fired by Perrin from a bench-rest with the
1120	ļ	296	s	SAT	rlash suppressor removed. Fired by Perrin from a bench-rest with flash suppressor attached to determine if center of impact was affected by previous removal of flash suppressor.

Time	No. Rds	Total No. of Rds Fired on Test	Type Fire	Function	Remarks
		Rifle, Calibe	r .223,	AR-15, Num	ber 682
		Cartridge,	Caliber	.223, Lot	U14F
Th	e rifle was	inspected, and	the wei	ghts and me	asurements were recorded.
			LCCTIRACY	TESTS	
		100-Yard Be	nch-Res	t Accuracy	Test
21. Sept	ember 1960				Projection
	•	field stripped	and lub	owi cated	
44	A TTUTE LEG	Trein solibben	GIM TU	rreadeu.	
1223	13	. 12	S	SAT	Sighting shots fired by Davis.
1236 to 1253	Coff	52	8	SAT	Fired by Davis from a bench-rest.
		100-Yard	Combat-	Accuracy Te	st
22 Sept	ember 1960				
•		**		es 4 em	Maria A.
0840 0910	3 10	5 5 65	8 8	sat Sat	Fouling shots. Fired by Davis from a bench-rest.
0930	10	75	8	SAT	Fired by Davis from a bench-rest.
0935	10	85	S	SAT	Fired by Davis from prone

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0840	3	5 5	s	SAT	Fouling shots.
0910	10	5 5 65	ន	SAT	Fired by Davis from a bench-rest.
0930	10	75	S	SAT	Fired by Davis from a bench-rest.
0935	10	85	S	SAT	Fired by Davis from prone position with sling and asbestos glove.
411/0	100	185	A	SAT	Fired by Hendricks.
0945	10	195	8	Sat	Fired by Davis from a bench-rest.
0947	10	205	S	Sat	Fired by Davis from prone position with sling and asbestos glove.

25-Yard Automatic-Accuracy Test

23 September 1960							
0852 1014 to	· 3	20/3	8	SAT	Fouling shots,		
1027	30	233	A	SAT	Fired by Davis from standing position.		

Time 1347 to	No. Rds Fired	Total No. of Rds Fired on Test	Type Fire	Function	Remarks
1402	30	268	A	SAT	Fired by Davis from prone position with sling.
1534 to		100-Yard Rate	of-Aim	-Fire Test	
1534 to 1535	79	347	s	1-FBC	Fired by Davis from prone position with sling and
26 Septe	mber 1960				asbestos glove.
0955 to 0956	140	487	A	Sat	Fired by Davis from prone position with sling and
1105 to 1106	80	567	s	SAT	asbestos glove. Fired by Davis from prone position with sling and
1255 to 1256	3.20				asbestos glove.
1400 to	133	700	A	SAT	Fired by Davis from prone position with sling and asbestos glove. 1 perforation in firing pin indent.
1401 1500 to	81	781	S	Sat	Fired by Davis from prone position with sling and asbestos glove.
1501	120	901	A	SAT	Fired by Davis from prone position with sling and asbestos glove. 1 perforation in firing pin indent.
		ENDURAN	ICE TES	T	
27 Septen	iber 1960	Velocit	y Test		
The	rifle was	disassembled, cle	aned a	nd lubrice:	had
1300 1305 to	3	904	S	SAT	Fouling shots
1309	20	924	S	SAT	
1512 1542	100 100	1024 1124	S A	SAT SAT	Constant and the consta
28 Septem			^	SALL	Cyclic rate 765 rounds per minute.
		rifle held loose	1 v 4 n 4	ha hawar	
0952 1026	100	1224	-,	SAT	
	100	1324	A	Sat	
		rifle held right	side u	p.	
1114	100	1424	S	1-FFR	Light firing pin indent in primer.

Time	No. Rds Fired	Total Nc. of Rds Fired on Test	Type Fire	Function	Remarks
1248	100	1524	A	1-FFR	No indentation in primer of failure to fire. I perforation in firing pin indent in primer.
		s disassembled, he rifle held ls			ed.
1418 1456	100	1624 1724	S A	sat sat	
29 Sep	tember 1960		,		
F	ired with t	he rifle held lo	osely at	a depression	on of 80°.
0933 1012	100-	1824 1924	8 A	sat Sat	
y	ired with t	he rifle held no	rmally a	t a depress:	ion of 80°.
1107 1134	100 100	51.5 1 505 ₁ †	8 A	Sat 4-BCE	The bolt catch was dis- assembled and the spring
					was stretched.
		s disassembled, he rifle held lo			was stretched.
					was stretched.
1357 1422	ired with t 100 100	he rifle held ic 2224	sosely at S A	an elevation SAT SAT	was stretched. ted. on of 80°.
1357 1422	ired with t 100 100	he rifle held ic 2224 2324	sosely at S A	an elevation SAT SAT	was stretched. ted. on of 80°.
1357 1422 F 1449 1505	ired with t 100 100 ired with t 100 100	he rifle held ic 2224 2324 he rifle held no 2424	s s A symmetry at	an elevation SAT SAT t an elevation SAT	was stretched. ted. on of 80°.
1357 1422 F 1449 1505	ired with t 100 100 ired with t 100 100	he rifle held lo 2224 2324 he rifle held no 2424 2524	s s A symmetry at	an elevation SAT SAT t an elevation SAT	was stretched. ted. on of 80°.
1357 1422 F 1449 1505 F 1528 1542	ired with t 100 100 ired with t 100 100 ired with t	he rifle held ic 2224 2324 he rifle held no 2424 2524 he rifle held no 2624 2724	sosely at S A Dormally a S A Dormally.	an elevation SAT SAT t an elevation SAT SAT	was stretched. ted. on of 80°.
1357 1422 F 1449 1505 F 1528 1542 30 Sep	ired with t 100 100 ired with t 100 100 ired with t 100 100 ired with t	he rifle held ic 2224 2324 he rifle held no 2424 2524 he rifle held no 2624 2724	sosely at S A Ormally a S A Ormally. S A	an elevation SAT SAT SAT SAT SAT SAT SAT	was stretched. ted. on of 80°.

Time	No. Rds Fired	Total No. of Rds Fired on Test	Type Fire	Function	Remarks
1131	100	3024	s	SAT	
1250	100	31.24	Ā	SAT	
1331	100	3224	s	SAT	
1356	100	3324	Ā	SAT	
4570	100	JJGT	**		
	The rifle was	s disassembled,	cleuned	and lubrica	ted.
1448	100	3424	S	SAT	
1513	100	3524	Ã	1-FF	The round jumped out of
		5 ,2_ ·	•		the magazine.
1540	100	3624	S	1-FFR	The firing pin was broken. It was replaced.
1 Oct	ober 1960				
0809	100	3724	A	Sat	
0920	100	3824	S	SAT	
0940	100	3924	Ā	SAT	
0540	100	JJET	n.	- Uni	
	The rifle wa	s disassembled,	cleaned	and Jubrica	ted.
1109	100	4024	s	SAT	
1127	100	4124	A	SAT	
1140	100	4224	S	1-FBC	
			_	1-FX	The extractor was broken. It was replaced.
1300	2,00	4324	A	SAT	-
1316	100	4424	S	SAT	
1332	100	4524	A	1-FF	
	The rifle wa	s disassembled,	cleaned	and lubrica	ited.
1438	100	4624	S	1-FBR	
1454	100	4724	A	Sat	
1514	1.00	4824	S	SAT	
1538	100	4924	A	4-BCE	The bolt catch was disassembled and the spring was stretched.
1555	1.00	5024	S	1-FBC	<u>-</u>
3 Oct	tober 1960				
0858	100	5124	A	1-FF	The failure to feed occurred on the last round in the magazine.

Time	No. Rds Fired	Total No. of Nds Fired on Test	Type Fire	Function	Remarks
r	he rifle was	disassembled,	cleaned	and lubricat	ted.
1121 1245	100 100	5224 5324	S A	Sat 1-ff 1-fbr	The failure to feed occurred on the last round in the magazine.
1304	100	5424	S	SAT	
1327	100	5524	A	1-BCE	
1350	100	562 l +	S	Sat	
1411	100	5724	A	1-FF	
r	he rifle was	disassembled,	cleaned	and lubricat	ted.
1445 1509 1526 1545	100 100 100 100	5824 5924 6024 61.24	S A S A	SAT 1-FRR 1-BCE SAT	
4 Octo	ber 1960				
0950	1.00	6224	ន	SAT	
1012	100	6324	Ā	SAT	
1	The rifle was	disassembled,	cleaned	and lubricat	ted,
1115	100	6424	Ş	SAT	The rear sling swivel pin disassembled permitting the sling swivel to fail off.
1140	100	6524	A	Sat	
1247	100	6624	S	SAT	The charging handle came unlatched and contacted the shooter's face on several occasions.
1312	1.00	6724	A	Sat	
1345	100	6824	ຣ	Sát	
1430	100	6924	A	1-BCE	Cyclic rate 746 rounds per minute.
	Market with the comment	ad an anomble of	ol oomeil	and Inhadaa	
,	ing litte Age	disassembled,			
		100-Yard B	ench-Rest	Accuracy To	est
5 Octo	ober 1960				
0905	3	6927	s	SAT	Fouling shots.

Time	No. Rds Fired	Total No. of Rds Fired on Test	Type Fire	Function	Remarks
0906 to 0922	40	6967	S	SAT	Fired by Davis from a bench-rest. On one occasion the cocking lever came unlatched.

The rifle was disassembled and inspected.

It was observed that seven rivets in the left hand guard, and two in the right hand guard were broken. There was moderate wear at the breech.

Velocity Test						
1127 1128 to	3	6970	SS.	Sat	Fouling shots.	
1130	20	6990	SS	SAT		

EXTREME-COLD TEST

The rifle was disassembled, cleaned, lubricated and subjected to a temperature of -65°F for a 12-hour period.

6 October 1960							
0349	20	7010	, A	sat			
1059	20	7030		sa‡			

UNLUBRICATED TEST

The rifle was disassembled, cleaned in solvent, and left in an unlubricated condition.

1438	50	7080	s	SAT
1440	50	71.30	, A	SAT

DUBT TEST

The rifle was disassembled, cleaned and lubricated.

7 Octob	er 1960				
0930	10	7240	S	1-FF	The failure to feed occurred because the magazine was not latched.
				1-FX	The rim of the case was partly sheared.

Time	No. Rds Fired	Total No. of Rås Fired on Test	Type Fire	Function	Remarks
0932	10	7150	A	SAT	A crack approximately two inches long was noticed in the stock at the heel.

MUD TEST

The rifle was disassembled, cleaned and lubricated.

1307	10	7160	s	2 -FTF	The trigger returned to the forward position on each occasion but the shooter made two attempts to fire.
1308	10	7170	A	2-FLE	The bolt locked on one occasion after a stoppage when the shooter hit the butt with his hand.

At the request of a representative an additional 20 rounds were loaded in a magazine, not subjected to the mud, and fired.

1312 to 1313	10	7130	3	1-FF 4-FIF	
1314 to 1315	io	71.90	s	6-FIF 1-FBR	was attempted to fire automatically but the lever could not be rotated to the Auto position.

RAIN TEST

The rifle was disassembled, cleaned and lubricated with Lubriplate.

8 October 1960

The rifle was subjected to the spray in a horizontal position.

1249 to 1252 100 7290 1301 to	7290) S SAT		
1302	100	7390	A	SAT

The rifle was subjected to the spray with the muzzle up. The muzzle was depressed and the bolt was retracted slightly to permit water in the bore to run out before firing. The rifle was fired in a horizontal position,

Time	No. Rds Fired	Total No. of Rds Fired on Test	Type <u>Fire</u>	Function	Remarks
1323 to 1326 1337 to	100	7490	s	SAT	
1338	100	7590	A	1-FBC	The bolt failed to lock fully on the first round from a magazine with the rifle suspended in a vertical position.

The rifle was subjected to the spray with muzzle down. It was fired in a horizontal position.

1349 to 1351	100	7690	s	SAT
1401 to		10,0	ĩ	~
1402	100	7790	A	SAT

The rifle was disassembled, cleaned and inspected.

COOK-OFF TEST

10 October 1960

Weather for this test: Temperature 65°F. Density 1.006. Wind NE, 4 mph.

1037	140	7930	A	1-FFR 1-FF	Time from firing first round to loading of cook-off round 54 sec. A cook-off occurred in 51 sec. A punch-out in primer resulted on cook-off round.
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The rifle was inspected.

All of the rivets (10) in the left hand guard were missing.

The lower receiver was worn slightly at the point of contact with the bolt catch.

The bolt catch was worm slightly at the point of contact with the bolt. The follower on all magazines was dented at the point of contact with bolt.

Rifle, Caliber .223, AR15 Number 689

Cartridge, Caliber .223, Lot U14F

	No. Rd. Fired ober 1960 The rifle A 3 x 25	on Test 100-Yard Be	dul bna i	Accuracy T	Remarks Test the rifle for the beach-
	An ISU fi:	Pty-meter smallbore aiming point.	e rifle t	arget with	a 4.5-inch bull's-eye
1544 1546	3	3	S	SAT	Sighting shots.
1605		43	s	SAT	Fired by Hendricks from a bench-rest.
		Cartridge,	Caliber	.223, Lot 1	120T
1620 1641	to 40	83	s	SAT	Fired by Hendricks from a bench-rest.
		100-Yard Mac	chine-Res	t Accuracy	Test
		Cartridge,	Caliber	.223, Lot 1	114F
2110 2115	10	93	SS	SAT	Settling shots.
2155		133	SS	SAT	
		Cartridge,	Caliber	.223, Lot 1	P20L
55/t0 5500		173	SS	SAT	
			SP	ECIAL TESTS	3
6 Set	ober 1960	100-	-Yard Ben	ch-Rest Acc	curacy Test
		Car	tridge, C	aliber .22	3, Lot T2OL
1410 3.415	to 6	179	s	SAT	Sighting shot.
1420		189	S	SAT	Fired by Perrin from a bench-rest.
1421 1426		199	s	SAT	Fired by Perrin from a bench-rest with bayonet attached.

Time	No. Rds Fired	Rds Fired on Test	Type Fire	Function	Remarks
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Rifle, Cartridge .223, AR-15 Number 835

Cartridge, Caliber .223, Lot U14F

The rifle was inspected, and the weights and measurements were recorded.

ACCURACY TESTS

100-Yard Bench-Rest Accuracy Test

21 September 1960

The rifle was field stripped and lubricated.

1332	10	10	ខ	SAT	Sighting shots fired by Perrin.
1349 to 1403	40	50	s	SAT	Fired by Perrin from a bench-rest.
		100-Yard	Combat-Accuracy	Test	
22 Septem	aber 1960				
0842 0948	3 10	53 63	, S	SAT SAT	Fouling shots. Fired by Perrin from a bench-rest.
1128	10	73	S	TAE	Fired by Perrin from a bench-rest.
1130	10	83	S	SAT	Fired by Perrin from prone position with sling and asbestos glove.
1138	100	183	A	SAT	Fired by Hendricks.
1139	10	193	S	SAT	Fired by Perrin from a bench-rest.
1140	10	203	S	SAT	Fired by Perrin from prone position with sling and asbestos glove. The two groups fired with a hot barrel were large. The rifle was cooled and a sn-shot bench-rost target was fired to determine if heat was the cause of the large group.
1315	10	213	S	SAT	Fired by Perrin from a bench-rest.

Time	No. Rds Fired	Total No. of Rds Fired on Test	Type Fire	Function	Remarks
		25-Yard	Automatic	c-Accuracy	Test
23 Sept	ember 1960				
0854 1038 to	3	216	s	SAT	Fouling shots.
1050	30	246	A	Sat	Fired by Perrin from a standing position.
1430 to 1441	30	276	A	SAT	Fired by Perrin from prone position with sling.
		100-Yard	Rate-of-	-Aimed-Fire	Test
1554 _. to 1555	80	356	s	S a t	Fired by Perrin from prone position with Bling and asbestos glove.
26 Sept	ember 1960				
1015 to 1016	120	476	A	SAT	Fired by Perrin from prone position with sling and asbestos glove.
1125 to 1126	89	565	S	SAT	Fired by Perrin from prone position with sling and asbestos glove.
1320 to 1321	120	685	A	SAT	Fired by Perrin from prone position with sling and asbestos glove. 1 perforation in firing pin indent in primer.
1420 to 1421	82	767	3	Sat	Fired by Perrin from prone position with sling and asbestos glove.
1525 to 1526	120	887	A	SAT	Fired by Perrin from prone position with sling and asbestos glove.

FNDURANCE TEST

Velocity Test

<u>Æi</u> 27		No. Rds Fired ember 1960	Total No. of Rds Fired on Test	Type Fire	Function	. Hemarks
	The	rifle was	disasuembled;	cleaned	and lubrics	ated
131		3	890	S	SAT	Fouling shote.
	324	20			-	The state of the s
152		100	910	ន	Sat	
154		100	1010	S	SAT	
- 2.		100	1110	A	SAT	Cyclic rate 205 rouse
28	Septe	mber 1960				-
	Fir	ed with the	e rifle held loo	osely in	the hands	
100					and mainte.	
103	-	100	1210	S	1-FFR	light firing pan and or in primer.
103		100	1310	A	Sat	a co for anti-12 •
	Fir	ed with the	rifle held rig	ght side	սթ.	
1138		100	1410	S	CAM	
1258	3	100	1510	Ä	sat sat	
	The Fire	rifle was o	disassembled, c rifle held lef	leaned a t side u	nd lubricat p.	ed.
1430		100	1610	s	Gv.m	
1503	}	100	1710	A	sat Sat	
29 S	eptan	iter 1960				
	Fire	d with the	rifle held loos	sely at a	. d÷pressio	n of 80°.
0947		100	1810			•
1021		100	1910	S A	SAT Sat	
	Fire	d with the	rifle held norm	+ בינונים	· · · -	. 0.
2250				milly 20	a debressi	on of Bos.
1118		100	201C	S	SAT	
1147		100	2110	A		lus firing pin as . It was replaced
	The r	rifle was di I with the :	isassembled, cl rifle held loos	caned an	d lubricate n elevation	
1405		100	2210	S	Sat	

		Total No. of			
	No. Rds	. Rds Fired	Туре		
Time	Fi red	on Test	Fire	Furction	Remarks
1433	1.00	2310	A	SAT	The bolt catch was dis-
					assembled and the spring
					was stretched.
	Fired with	the rifle held	normally at	t an eleva	tion of 80°F.
1453	100	2410	S	SAT	•
1515	100	2510	Ä	SAT	
-/-/					
	Fired With	riflε held norm	· ·		
1532	100	2610	S	T'AZ	
1543	100	2710	A	Sat	
30 Se	eptember 19	960			
	The rifle	was disassembled	, cleaned a	and lubric	ated.
1.041	100	2810	s	SAT	
1101	100	2910	A	SAT	
1137	100	3010	S	SAT	
1256	100	31.10	· A	Sat	
1339	100	3210	S	SAT	
1402	100	3310	A	SAT	
	The rifle	was disassembled	, cleaned a	and lubric	eated.
1511	100	3410	ន	SAT	
1528	100	3510	A	SAT	
1547	100	3610	S	SAT	
1 Oct	tober 1960				
0858	100	3710	A	SAT	
0927	100	3810	S	SAT	
0957	100	3910	A	l-FFR	The firing pin was broken
					It was replaced.
	The rifle	was disassembled	, cleaned a	and lubric	eated.
1119	100	p010	S	SAT	
1133	100	4110	A	Sat	
1158	100	4210	S	SAT	
1250	100	4310	A	SAT	
1314	100	44 <u>10</u>	S	SAT	
1329	100	4510	A	SAT	
	The rifle	was disassembled	, cleaned	and lubric	eated.
1439	100	4610	S	SAT	
1457	100	4710	Ā	SAT	
1522	100	4810	ន	SAT	

0905	No Rds Fired 100 100 ber 1960 100	Total Nc. of Rds Fired on Test 4910 5010 5110 disassembled,	Type Fire A S A	Function SAT SAT SAT SAT	
		n was broken.			
1133 1253 1325 1342 1402 1420	100 100 100 100 100	5210 5310 5410 5510 5610 5710	S A S A	SAT SAT SAT SAT SAT 1-BCE	
		: disassembled, :h was disassem			ated. was stretched.
1503 1522 1539	100 100 100 Ober 1960	5810 5910 <i>6</i> 010	S A S	SAT SAT SAT	
0945 1000 1025	100 100 100	6110 6310	A S A	SAT SAT 2-FFR	The firing pin was broken. It was replaced. The extractor lip was broken. It was caught between factor bolt and base of round causing the second failure to fire. The extractor spring was broken during disassembly. The extract and the extractor spring were replaced. I perfect in firing pin indent in primer.

The rifle was disassembled, cleaned and lubricated.

1143	100	6410	S	sat	The charging handle cam-
1255	100	6510	A	1-FJ	unlatened.
1314	100	6610	S	sat	onta von . u .
1351	100	6710	A	Sat	

::ime	No. Rdr Fired	Potal No. of Pds Fired on Test	Type Fire	Function	Remarks
1435	100	6810	S	sat	Cyclic rate 796 rounds per minute.
1505	100	6910	A	Sat	

The rifle was disassembled, cleaned and lubricated.

1.00-Yard Bench-Rest Accuracy Test							
1534 40	3	6913	s	SAT	Fouling shots.		
1534 40 1552	40	<i>6</i> 953	s	SAT	Fired by Perrin from a bench-rest.		

5 October 1960

The rifle was disassembled and inspected.

It was observed that there was heavy wear at the breech and light roughness in grooves especially at breech. One rivet was broken in left hand guard.

Velocit				city Test		
1138 1139 to	3	6956	SS	Sat	Fouling shots.	
1244	21	6977	SS	Sat		

EXTREME-COLD TEST

The rifle was disassembled, cleaned, lubricated and subjected to a temperature of -65°F for a 12-hour period.

ύ October 1960						
0856	30	6997	S	Sat		
1105		7017	A	Sat		

UNLUBRICATED TEST

The rifle was disassembled, cleaned in solvent, and left in an unlubricated condition.

The firing pin was troken. It was replaced.

1430	50	7067	s	SAT
1440	50	7117	A	SAT

DUST TEST

The rifle was disassembled, cleaned and lubricated.

Time	No. Rds	Total No. of Rds Fired on Test	Type <u>Fire</u>	Function	Remarks
7 Octo	ber 1960				
0936 0938	10 10	7127 73.37	S A	Sat Sat	

MUD TEST

The rifle was disassembled, cleaned and lubricated.

1331	13	7150	S	1-FTF
1332	7	7157	Α	1-BLE

At the request of a representative 20 additional rounds were loaded in a magazine, not subjected to the mud, and fired.

1333 to 1335	1h	7171	S	5-BLE 4-FF
1335 to 1338	6	7177	A	2-FF 7-8LE

RAIN TEST

The rifle was disassembled, cleaned and lubricated with Lubriplate.

8 October 1960

The rifle was subjected to the spray in a horizontal position.

1428 to					
1432	100	7277	S	1-FBR	The trigger pin partially
				1- F 2R	disassembled and caused the rifle to fire auto-
					matically on one occasion
					The pin was repositioned.
1442	100	7377	A	2-FBR	1 perforation in firing wir.
					indent in primer.

The rifle was subjected to the spray with the muzzle up. The muzzle was depressed and the bolt was retracted slightly to permit water in the bore to run out before firing. It was fired in a norizontal position.

1459 to					
1503	100	7 1 +77	S	1-FBC	The bolt failed to look fully
				1-FBR	on the first round from a
					magazine with the rifle

suspended in a vertical position. I perforation in firing pin indent in prime-

Time	Ho. Rds Fired	Rds Fired on Test	Type Fire	Function	Remarks
1514 to 1515	J.00	7577	A	2-FBR	

The rifle was subjected to the rpray with muzzle down. It was fired in a horizontal position.

1525 to 1528 1538 to	100	7677	s	SAT	
1539	100	7777	A	1-FBR	l perforation in firing pin indent is primer.

The rifle was disassembled, cleaned and inspected.

COOK-OFF TEST

10 October 1960

Weather for this test: Temperature 66°F. Density 1,004. Wind NE, 4 mph.

1047 120 7897 A 2-FBR Time from firing first round to loading of cook-off round 39 sec. No cook-off.

The rifle was inspected.

Two rivets were missing from the left hand guard.

The profile of the firing pin was pitted.

The lower receiver was worn slightly at the point of contact with the bolt catch.

The follower on all magazines was uented at the point of contact with bolt.

RATE-OF-AIMED-FIRE TEST

Dates: 23 and 26 September 1960

Fired From: Prone position with sling

Range: 100 yards

Direction of Fire: S

Target: E

Sky Condition: Overcast

Wind: N to NE, 3 to 7 mph Temperature: 60 to 68°F

Rifle: Caliber .223, AR15

An asbestos glove was worn on the hand supporting the hand guard.

Number of shots fired automatically and number of hits obtained in one minute.

Rifleman	Trial	No. of Rds Fired	No. of Hits <u>Obtained</u>	Malfunctions
Hendricks with	1	126	35	0
rifle No. 614	2	3.40	37	1
	3	139	50	0
Average	-	135	41	
Davis with	1	140	55	0
rifle No. 682	2	133	59	0
	3	120	59 45	0
Average		131	53	
Perrin with	1	120	27	0
rifle No. 835	2	120	32	0
	3	120	32	0
Average Average for	-	120	30	
3 shooters		128.7	41.3	

RATE-OF-AIMED-FIRE TEST

Dates: 23 and 26 September 1960

Fired From: Prone position with sling.

Range: 100 yards

Direction of Fire: S

Target: E

Sky Condition: Scattered to overcast

Wind: NNE to NE, 4 to 7 mph. Temperature: 61 to 72°F.

Rifle: Caliber .223, AR15

An asbestos glove was worn on the hand supporting the hand guard.

Number of shots fired semiautomatically and number of hits obtained in one minute.

Rifleran	Trial No.	No. of Rds Fired	No. of Hits Obtained	No. of Malfunctions
Herdricks with	1	80	78	O
rifle No. 514.	2 3	99 88	89 78	0 0
Average	,	89	81	
Davis with rifle No. 682	<u>1</u> . 2 3	79 දා හැ	75 79 77	0 0 0
Average	•	80	77	
Perrin with rifle No. 835	1 2 3	80 89 82	76 75 74	o 0 0
Average Average for 3 shooters	J	84.2	75 77.8	

ACCURACY TEST

DATE: 21 September 1960

RANGE: 100 yards DIRECTION OF FIRE: S

FIRED FROM: Bench rest

RIFLE: Caliber .223, AR-15

CARTRIDGE: Caliber .223, Lot U14F TARGET: A (with 10-inch bull's-eye)

WIND: NE to E, 5 to 10 mph SKY CONDITION: Overcast TEMPERATURE: 60 to 70°F

Target measurements are given in inches.

GROUP CENTER TARGET FROM TARGET RIFLEMAN NO. CENTER MR MVD MIID EVD EHD ES 2.6 G. Hendricks 1 0.9 0.4 0.7 2.7 1.9 AR-15, No. 614 2 1.4 1.0 0.3 4.0 3.4 4.5 3 4 1.6 0.8 1.2 3.2 5.9 5.9 3.8 1.3 1.1 0.5 3.7 2.2 0.8 9,8 3.5 4.2 Average 1.3 3.2 D. Davis 1 1.5 7.2 1.9 0.9 7.0 3.5 AR-15, No. 682 1.6 4.2 4.5 2 1.0 1.1 3.0 3.8 3 3.4 1.2 0,8 0.7 3.7 6.5 2.0 1.4 6.4 4.6 0.9 5.5 3.9 Average 1.7 1,2 0.9 5.0 6.3 D. Perrin 1.9 1.4 1.0 6.2 3.4 AR-15, No. 835 2 2.1 2.6 1.0 0,6 0.7 2.2 34 2.2 3.1. 1.0 0.7 0.5 2.3 6.9 1.5 1,2 0.7 3.7 7.8 1.4 1.0 4.5 Average 0.7 2.9 5.0 Average for 1.5 0.8 4.2 3.4 4.9 all targets 1.0

COMBAT-ACCUPACY TEST

DATE: 21 and 22 September 1960

WIND ME to ENE, 4 to 10 mph

RANGE: 100 /urds

SKY CONDITION Scattered to overcast

DIRECTION OF FIRE . S

TEMPERATURE 63 to 71°F

PIFEE: Caliber .223, AR-15

WARTRIDGE. Caliber .223, Lot. U14F

"ARGET" A (with 10-inch bull's-eye)

All target data are given in inches

Target number 1 = Normal bench-rest group.

Parget number 2 = Henon-rest group starting with a cold and oiled bore

Target number 3 = Normal prone group.

Target number 4 = Bench-rest group with a hot barrel

Target number 5 = Prone group with a hot barrel.

Target							Group From A Poi	iming	Cent	asureme er of G Center		
No.	MR	MVD	MHD	EVD	EHD	ES	<u>v</u>	H	<u>y</u>	H	Mean	ES
Rifleman	n: G	. Hen	drick	s, AR	-15,	Humbe	r 614					
1	1.7	0.9	1.2		5.0	6.4	+0.1	-0,8			1.7	o.4
2	1.9	0.7	1.6	3.3	7.2	7.2		-0.2		. •	1.9	4.2
3	1.7	1.3	1.0	3.9	3.0	4.7	-3.0	$\cdot 0.7$	-3.1	+0.1	3.4	4.8
4	2.0	1.2	1.3	5.8	4.0	5.9		+1.4	+0.1	+2.2		ь.8
. 5	2.1	1.2	1.6	3.6	6.C	6.9		+2.5				9.2
Average	1.9	1.3.	13	4.3	5.0	6.2	-1.5	+0.4	-1.8	+1.3	3.2	5.9
Rifleme	n: D	. Dav	is, A	R-15,	Numb	er 68	2					
1	1.9		1.1	7.0	4.2	7.5		-0.1			1.9	7.5
2	2,2	1.9	0.6	7.3	2.4	7.4	+0.2	0.0	-0 2	+0,2		4.6
3 L	2.4	1.5	1.6	6.4	5.3	7.3	-6.1	+2,0	-6 4	+2.1		97
	2.0	1.7	0.7	6.5	4.0		-4.2	+1 6	-4.6	+1.7		7.2
5	2.6	1.8	1.1	9.9		10.0	-8.4	+4.3		+4.4		15,4
Average	2.2	1.7	1.0	7.4	4.0	8.0	-3.6	+1.6	-4.0	+1.7	5.3	٥.9
Riflema	n: M	l. Per	rin,	AR-15	, Nun	ber 8	35					
1	1.7	_		6.0		6.9		+1.4			1.7	6.9
2	1.8	1.2	1.2	5.0	4.5	6.5	+1.8	0.0	+1.6	+1.4	2.5	6.1
3	1.8	1.2	1.1	4.4	6.5			+2.6	-4.1	+1.2	4.4	7.6
1;	3.6	1.6	3.0			19.5		+1.3	- •	-0.2		10.9
5	4.1	3.0				17.7			-3.8	-0 5	5.5	15.9
Average	2.6	1.7	1.7	7.6	9.1	11.4	-0.9	+1.2	-1 1	+0.4	35	9.5
Average for all												
targets		1.5	1.3	6 4	6.0	მ.5	-0 2	+1.1	-2.3	+1 1	4.0	8.1
					-	- •		•			•	

AUTOMATIC ACCURACY TEST

DATE: 23 September 1960

PANGE: 25 yards

RIFLE: Caliber .223, AR-15, Number 614

CARTRIDGE: Caliber .223, Lot U14F

FIRING POSITION: Prone (without sling) RIFLEMAN: G. Hendricks

Fired in three-round bursts. Measurements are given in inches.

Burst No.	Aiming	nce From g Point rst Shot	Distance From Aiming Point to Second Shot		Distance From Aiming Point to Third Shot		
	Vertical	Horizontal	<u>Vertical</u>	Horizontal	Vertical	Horizontal	
1.	-2.0	-0.8	+24.3	+11.4	+21.6	+17.9	
2	- 2.6	+0.1	+24.2	+12.0	+34.3	+19.2	
3	4C.3	+0.3	∻21. 6	+6.2	+29.0	+7.2	
4	-2.2	+0.4	+15.7	+8.4	+20.5	+9.9	
5	-2.0	+0.1	+13.7	+8.0	+21.5	+13.9	
6	-2.0	-0.1	+14.8	+5.3	+18.6	+6.2	
7	-2.3	+0.4	+21.0	+9.9	+26.9	+10.8	
8	-1.7	+0.9	+17.9	+7.9	+25.4	+8,3	
9	-1.6	+0.9	+19.2	+8.1	+26.2	+8.6	
10	-2.2	-0.1	+19.3	+10.0	+22.3	+13.7	
Average	-2.06	+0.21	+19.17	+8.72	+24.63	+11.57	
Mean Fr 30-shot group Aiming I			EV	ЕН	ES		
		16.9	€	36.9	20.0	41.5	

Mean for shots fired automatically (from center of impact of first shot in each burst) 26.1

AUTOMATIC ACCURACY TEST

DATE: 23 September 1960 RANGE. 25 yards

RIFLE: Caliber .223, AR-15, Number 682

CARTRIDGE: Caliber .223, Lot U14F

FIRING POSITION: Prone (without sling) RIFLEMAN: D. Davis

Fired in three-round bursts. Measurements are given in inches.

	Distance from Aiming Point		Aimin	ce from g Point	Distance from Aiming Pcint		
Burst No.		Irst shot Hor	to seco	ond shot	to third shot Vert Hor		
110.	Vert	1.01	VELO	Hor	Vero	Hor	
1	-3.0	-0.5	+27.2	-3.0	+27.8	-6.5	
2	-3.0	+0.4	+29.5	-8.0	+41.4	-7.2	
3	-3.4	+1.1	+26.5	+0.9	+36.5	+9.3	
Σţ	-3. 3	+0.1	+22.1	-2.0	+34.3	+7.5	
5	-2.4	+1.1	+27.1	+0.5	+34.6	+12.0	
6	-2.7	+0.3	+29.9	-2.5	+49.3	+3.3	
7	-3.2	+0.7	+26,6	+4.8	+35.5	+1.3.3	
8	-2. 3	+1.1	+29.6	-2.2	+43 7	-2,2	
9	-2.4	+0.3	+27.9	+1.7	+33.2	+9.4	
10	-1.1	+0.8	+26.3	-2.7	+38.9	+2.9	
Average	-2. 68	+0.54	+27.27	-1.25	+37.32	+4.18	
30-shot gr	oup	Mean From Aiming Point	EV	ЕН	ES		
		22.8	52.7	21.3	52.8		

Mean for shots fired automatically (from center of impact of first shot in each burst) 35.4

AUTOM.TIC ACCURACY TEST

DATE. 23 September 1960

RANGE: 25 yards

RIFLE: Caliber .223, AR-15, Number 835

CARTRIDGE: Caliber .223, Lot U14F

FIRING POSITION: Prone (without sling) RIFLEMAN: M. Perrin

Fired in three-round bursts. Measurements are given in inches.

Domak	Distance from Aiming Point to first shot		Distance from Aiming Point to second shot			Distance from Aiming Point to third shot		
Burst No.	Vert	Hor	Vert	Ho		ert ert	Hor	
1	-1.9	-0.7	+33.4	-0.	6 +4	8.4	-3.5	
2	-2.4	+0,3	+27.9	+2.	0 +4	0.6	+0.9	
3	-3.0	+0.2	+30.6	+3.	8 +4	5.2	+3.7	
4	-3.2	+0.7	+29.4	+3.	8 +4	2.1	+4.5	
5	-2.7	+0.7	+40.9	+11.	4 +5	6.8	+15.3	
6	-2.6	-0.1	+33.7	+9.	5 +4	6.9	+10.4	
7	-3.1	+0.2	+34.2	+3.	2 +4	6.8	+6.7	
3	-1.9	+0.4	+29.6	4.3.	4 +3	9.4	+8.5	
9	-2.0	+0.1	+32.2	+0.	9 +3	9.5	+3.4	
10	-2.3	0.0	+27.9	+0.	5 +4	1.4	+5.4	
Average	-2.51	+0.18	+31.97	+3.	79 +4	4.71	+5.53	
30-shot group		Mean Fr Aiming F		EV	EH	ES		
		26.7		60,0	18.7	61.9	•	

Mean for shots fired automatically (from center of impact of first shot in each burst) 41.2

AUTOMATIC ACCURACY TEST

DATE: 22 September 1960

RANGE: 25 yards

RIFLE: Caliber .223, AR-15, Number 614

CARTRIDGE: Caliber .223, Lot U14F

FIRING POSITION: Standing

RIFLEMAN: G. Heldricks

Fired in three-round bursts. Measurements are given in inches.

Burst No.	Distance Aiming to firs Vert		Aimi	nce from ng Point cond shot	Ai	tance from ming Foint tnird shot . Hor
1	-3.9	- 0.5	+36,6	+9.4	+95.3	+43.5
2	-1.9	+0.6	+42.7	+11.2	+98.6	+44.4
3	-3.5	-0, 2	+39.3	+ 8.0	+99.2	+41.9
4	-3.2	+0,6	8.c4+	+ 7.9	+96.4	+36.6
5	-2,6	-0.7	+39.3	+ 7.2	+96.5	+40.7
6	-2.5	+0,2	+42.4	+ 2,1	+99.1	+29.1
7	-1.8	-0.4	+40.1	+ 4.0	+95.5	+31.6
8	~3 . J.	-0.4	+42.4	+ 6.6	+105.4	+41.4
3	-3.1	+0.9	+38.5	+ 8.5	+91.8	+38.6
10	-2.4	+0.6	+44.3	+10.8	+1.04.5	+44.3
Average	-2, 80	+0.07	+40.64	+ 7.57	+ 98.23	+39.21
30~shot (group	Mean Fr Aiming 1		<u>EV</u> 109. 3	<u>eh</u> 45.1	<u>ES</u> 116.9

Mean for shots fired automatically (from center of impact of first shot in each burst) 76.2

AUTOMATIC ACCURACY TEST

DATE: 23 September 1960

RANGE: 25 yards

RIFLE: Caliber .223, AR-15, Number 682

CARTRIDGE: Caliber .223, Lot U14F

FIRING POSITION: Standing

RIFLEMAN: D. Davis

Fired in three-round bursts. Measurements are given in inches.

Burst to fire		g Point rst shot	Ain to s	istance from Aiming Point o second shot		Distance from Aiming Point to third shot	
No.	Vert	Hor	Vert	H	or	Vert	Hor
ı	-0, 3	+1,2	+42.7	+1	4.0	+100.3	+37.1
2	-1.6	+1.2	143. 6	+ '	7.6	+106.2	+31.9
3	+1, 1	+2.0	+43.2	+ :	9.5	+102.5	+33.5
4	0,0	+2.4	+40.2	+ (5, 3	+101.2	+3)1,6
5	1-3,1	+1.1	+42.6	+10	j. 2	+115.5	+42.0
6	-0.6	+2.4	+39.4	+ 5	5.7	+100.8	+35.7
7	-1.0	+2.5	+42.8	+13	3.7	+101.0	+46.2
8	-2.0	+1,4	+43.0	÷14	.1	+107.9	+45.3
9	-2.0	+1.6	+45.0	+13	3. 3	+116.9	+48.2
10	+0.5	+2.0	+42.6	+11	.6	+118.3	+45.1
Average	-0.90	+1.78	+42,41	+10	.65	+107.06	+39.96
30-shot group		Mean Fr Aiming P		EV	Ē	<u>H</u>	ES
		53.7		121.9	4	1.2	129.8

Mean for shots fired automatically (from center of impact of first shot in each burst) 79.7

AUTOMATIC ACCURACY TEST

DATE: 23 September 1960 RANGE: 25 yards

RIFLE: Caliber .223, AR-15 Number 835

CARTRIDGE: Caliber .223, Lot U14F

FIRING POSITION: Standing

RIFLEMAN: M. Perrin

Fired in three-round bursts. Measurements are given in inches.

Burst	Distance Aiming to firs	Point	Aimi	nce from ng Point cond shot	Aimir	nce from ng Point nird shot
No.	Vert	Hor	Vert	Hor	Vert	Hor
1	-1.1	-0.4	+22.8	+9.2	+66.4	+28.2
2	-2.9	+0.1	+25.7	+8.4	+70.7	+21.5
3	-3.3	+0.6	+22.8	+7.8	+68.5	+18.9
4	-2.5	-0.3	+25.4	+9.1	+74.4	+29.4
5	-2.4	-0.7	+19.7	+8.2	+59.4	+23.5
6	-1.9	+0.7	+24.6	+8.0	+71.4	+20.8
7	-3.0	-0.3	+23.0	+8.3	+67.7	+21., 3
8	-2.4	-0.7	+23.3	+8.2	+66.6	+24.7
9	-1.7	-1.0	+24.1	+5.3	+65.8	+20.4
10	-2.4	+0.4	+22.7	+6.2	+69.4	+1.8.5
Average	-2.36	-0.16	+23.41	+7.87	+68.03	+22.72
30-shot g	group	Mean F. Aiming		<u>ev</u>	EH	<u>es</u>
		33.	1	77.7	30.4	83.2

Mean for shots fired automatically (from center of impact of first shot in each burst) 50.7

DATE: 4 and 5 October 1960

FIRED FROM: Bench-rest

WIND: N to NNE, O to 4 mph

RANGE: 100 yards

DIRECTION OF FIRE: S SKY CONDITION: Clear to

Overcast TEMPERATURE: 55 to 62°F

CARIRIDGE: Caliber .223, Lot UliF

RIFLE: Caliber .223, AR-15

TARGET: A (with 10-inch bull's eye)

Rfileman	Target No.	MR	MVD	MHD	EVD	EHD	Es
D. Davis AR-15 No. 682]. 2: 3 4 Average	1.9 1.8 2.0 2.4 2.0	1.4 1.5 1.2 1.6 1.4	1.1 0.7 1.3 1.3	4.1 6.5 4.5 6.6 5.4	4.8 2.7 5.6 5.8 4.7	5.5 6.7 5.9 7.3 6.4
M. Perrin							
AR-15 No. 835	1 2 2 3 a 4	2.6 2.3 3.1 1.3	1,4 1,4 2,2 0,8	1.9 1.4 1.9 0.8	7.5 5.3 9.4 4.5	11.0 7.7 9.5 4.7	11.5 7.9 12.5 6.2
	Average	2.3	1.4	1.5	6.7	8,2	9.5
G. Hendricks							
AR-15 No. 614	1 2 43 4	1.1 2.2 5.6 1.6	0.9 2.0 4.1 0.7	0.6 0.5 3.6 1.3	3.9 12,3 21.3 3.4	2.3 1.9 21.2 4.9	3.9 12.3 29.9 5.5
	Average	2.6	1.9	1.5	10.2	7.6	12.9

a One bullet keyhole.

DATE: 5 October 1960 RANGE: 100 yards FIRED FROM: Bench-rest DIRECTION OF FIRE: S WIND: SSW, 0 to 4 mph TEMPERATURE: 67 to 68° F SKY CONDITION: Broken

CARTRIDGE: Caliber .223, Lot U14F

RIFLE: Caliber .223, AR-15 (with 3X telescopic sight)

RIFLEMAN: G. Hendricks

Rifle	Target No.	MR	MVD	MHD	EVD	EHD	ES
AR-15 No. 689	1 2 3 4	1.1 1.0 1.2 0.8	0.5 0.7 0.6 0.5	0.8 0.7 1.0 0.5	2.1 2.5 2.2 1.8	3.1 2.7 3.4 1.7	3.1 3.2 3.6 2.1
	Average	1.0	0.6	0.8	2.2	2.7	3.0
AR-15 No. 645	1 2 3 4	1.1 1.2 1.2 1.2	0.8 0.6 0.8 0.7	0.7 0.9 0.7 0.8	3.1 3.3 4.0 3.2	3.1 3.7 3.6 3.7	4.0 4.1 4.0 4.8
	Average	1.2	0.7	0.8	3.4	3.5	4.2

DATE: 5 October 1960 FIRED FROM: Bench-rest WIND: SSW, O to 4 mph

RANGE: 100 yards DIRECTION OF FIRE: S SKY CONDITION: Broken

TEMPERATURE: 67 to 68 F

CARTRIDGE: Caliber .223, Lot T20L RIFLE: Caliber .223, AR-15 (with 3X telescopic sight)

RIFLEMAN: G. Hendricks

Rifle	Target No.	MR	MVD	MHD	EVD	EHD	ES
AR-15 No. 689	1 2 3 4	1.2 1.5 1.1 1.0	0.8 1.4 0.7 0.6	0.8 0.4 0.8 0.7	7.6 2.7 2.9	3.3 2.2 3.6 3.7	3.4 7.9 4.3 4.8
	Average	1.2	0.9	0.7	3.9	3.2	5.1
AR-15 No. 645	1 2 3 4	0.9 1.4 1.0 0.8	0.6 0.8 0.3 0.7	0.5 1.0 0.9 0.4	2.4 2.9 1.8 3.4	2.0 4.4 3.2 1.7	3.1 4.7 3.2 3.5
	Average	1.0	0.6	0.7	2.6	2.8	3.6

DATE: 5 October 1960

RANGE: 100 yards inclosed

FIRED FROM: Cradle, Universal for Rifle

Accuracy Firing assembled to a V-block mounted on a F.A. machine rest.

CARTRIDGE: Caliber .223, Lot U.4F

RIFLE: Caliber .223, AR-15 RIFLEMAN: G. Hendricks

Rifle No.	Target No.	<u>:0</u> R	MVD	MED	EVD	מעק	700
AR-15 No. 689	1 2 3 4	1.3 1.5 1.0 0.9	1.2 1.2 0.6 0.5	0.5 0.9 0,6 0,7	4.1 5.3 2.6 1.5	2.1 4.6 2.2 2.8	4.4 7.0 2.7 3.0
	Average	1. 5	0.9	0.7	3.4	2.9	4.3
AR-15 No. 645	1 2 3 4	0.9 1.2 1.2 0.9	0.6 0.6 1.0 0.5	0,6 1.0 0.5 0,6	2.0 2.7 4.1 2.2	1.9 3.2 2.2 2.5	2. l; 3. 3 4. 1 3. 2
	Average	1.0	0.7	0.7	2.8	2.6	3 2

DATE: 5 October 1960

RANGE: 100 yards inclosed

FIRED FROM: Cradle, Universal for Rifle

Accuracy Firing assembled to a V-block mounted on a

F.A. machine rest.

CARTRIDGE: Caliber .223, Lot T20L RIFLE: Caliber .223, AR-15

RIFLEMAN: G. Hendricks

Rifle No.	Target No.	MR	MVD	MED	EAD	EHD	ES
AR-15 No. 689	1 2 3 4	2.1 1.1 1.1 0.7	1.6 0.7 0.5 0.6	1.2 0.8 0.8 0.4	7.1 3.0 2.7 2.3	8.3 3.0 3.3 1.5	11.0 4.1 3.4 2.3
	Average	1.2	0.8	0.8	3.8	4.0	5.2
AR-15 No. 645	1 2 3 4	1.3 1.4 1.9 1.0	0.9 1.1 1.1 0.6	0.8 0.8 1.3 0.7	2.9 5.2 7.8 2.4	3.2 3.5 8.1 2.1	3.5 5.9 10.7 3.2
	Average	1.4	0.9	0.9	4.6	4.2	5.8

ACCURACY TEST TO DETERMINE EFFECT OF FLASH SUFFRESSOR ON RIFLE

RANGE: 100 yards

DIRECTION OF FIRE: S

SKY COMDITION: Clear

DATE: 7 October 1960 FIRED FROM: Bench-rest

FIRED FROM: Bench-re WIND: NW, 9 mph

TEMPERATURE: 63°F

CARTRIDGE: Caliber .223, Lot T20L

RIFLE: Caliber .223, AR-15, Number 645 (with

3X telescopic sight)

RIFLEMAN: M. Perrin

Group Center From						,		
	Aimi	ng Point)R	MAD	MED	RAD	EHD	<u> 188</u>
With Suppressor								
	0.6R	2.6B	1,1	0.7	0.8	2,5	3.9	4.2
With Suppressor								
	0.7R	2.9B	1,1	0.6	0.8	2.8	3.0	3.7
Average	0.6R	2.8B	1,1	0.6	0.8	2.7	3.4	4.0
Without Suppressor	r							
	3.2L	8.1A	1.6	1.0	0.9	4.3	4.1	4.3
Without Suppressor	r							
	2.5L	7.8A	1.5	1.0	0.8	4.2	4.3	4.5
Average	2.8L	8.0A	1,6	1,0	0.8	4.2	4.2	4.4

ACCURACY TEST TO DETERMINE EFFECT OF BAYONET ON RIFLE

DATE: 6 October 1960 FIRED FROM: Bench-rest

RANGE: 100 yards DIRECTION OF FIRE: S SKY CONDITION: Cvercast

WIND: SW, 9 mph TEMPERATURE: 71° F

CARTRIDGE: Caliber .223, Lot T20L

RIFIE: Caliber .223, AR-15 (with 3% telescopic sight) RIFIEMAN: M. Perrin

Group Center from Aiming Point	<u>MR</u>	MVD	MED	EAD	EHD	ES
Rifle No. 645 withou	ut bayonet	;				
0.7R 3.1B	1.3	0.7	0.9	3.0	3.0	3.6
Rifle No. 645 with	bayonet					
1.2R 4.8B	1.1	0.7	0.7	3.3	2.7	3.4
Rifle No. 689 withou	ut bayonet	;				
2.1R 0.9B	1.2	0.5	0.9	3.0	3.7	3.8
Rifle No. 689 with	bayonet					
3.5R 2.2B	1,4	0.8	0.9	5.3	3.1	6.1

To Determine Effect of Hand Guards

DATE: 6 October 1960

RANGE: 100 yards

FIRED FROM: Bench-rest

DIRECTION OF FIRE: S SKY CONDITION: Overcast

WIND: SW, 10 mph TEMPERATURE: 71°F

CARTRIDGE: Caliber .223, Lot 720L

RIFLE: Caliber .223, AR-15 Number 645 (with 3X Telescope sight)

RIFLEMAN: M. Perrin

Target measurements are given in inches.

Group Center

From Aiming

Point MR MVD MED EVD END ES

Fired with modified hand guards (the hand guards were relieved slightly at the points of contact with cap and ring).

0.7R 2.4B

1.0 0.7

0.5 3.4

2.1

3.5

Fired without hand guards (magazine resting on bench).

2.OR 8.1B

1.3 0.6

1.0 2.2

4.3

4.5

VELOCITY TESTS

Time Started: 1137

Time Completed: 1324 Date: 27 September 1960

Rifle, Caliber .223, AR-15

Previous Rounds on Test: Rifle No. 614 - 947

Rifle No. 682 - 904 Rifle No. 835 - 890

Ammunition Temperature: 70°F

Range Temperature: 70°F

Density: 0.995 to 0.998

Chronograph Type: Counter

Initiator Type: Lumiline Screens

Instrumental Velocity, fps at 78 feet

Velocity

Cartridge, Caliber .223, Lot Ul4F.

Round Number	Rifle No. 614	Rifle No. 682	Rifle No. 835
1	3090	3115	3129
	3043	3135	3098
2 3 4	3086	3060	3073
4	3069	3073	3035
5	3109	3117	30ප්පි
5	3094	3069	3133
7	3062	3085	3098
7 8 9	3117	3111	3143
	3088	3141	3143
10	3104	3081	3129
11	3096	3143	3100
12	3129	3081	3135
13	3079	3053	3096
14	3137	3075	3096
15	3 090	3135	3141
16	3106	3085 3106	3083
17 18	3109 3141	3106	3127 2152
	3147	3119 30 94	3153 3079
19 20	3143	3129	3096
ZU _	2++2	3129	2020
Average	3102	3100	3111
Maximum	3147	3143	3153
Minimum	3043	3053	3073
Ex. Var.	104	90	80
Mean Var.	22,2	24.8	23.2
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VELOCITY TESTS

Time Started: 1059 Time Completed:

Rifle, Caliber .223, AR-15

Time Completed: 1144 Date: 5 October 1960

Previous Rounds on Test: Rifle No. 614 - 7015

Rifle No. 682 - 6970 Rifle No. 835 - 6956

Ammunition Temperature: 70°F Range Temperature: 67°F

Density: 1.010 to 1.019

Chronograph Type: Counter Ini

Initiator Type: Lumiline Screens

Instrumental Velocity, fps at 78 feet

Velocity

Cartridge, Caliber .223, Lot U14F

Round Number	Rifle No. 614	Rifle No. 682	Rifle No. 835
ı	2921	2962	2998
	2933	2953	2957
3	2941	2927	2926
Ţ	2915	2964	2929
5	2969	2950	2976
2 3 4 5 6	2952	2912	2887
7	2904	2959	2894
7 8	2959	2936	2939
9	2921	2957	3034
1Ó	2955	2959	2955
11	2989	2960	2987
12	2889	2939	2966
13	2998	2959	2978
14	2933	2927	2952
15	2914	2934	2955
16	3012	2941	2989
17	3003	2953	2941
18	2983	2950	2892
19	3001	2969	2646
20	2999	2914	2899
Average	2954	2946	2935
Maximum	3012	2969	3034
Minimum	2889	2912	2646
Ex. Var.	123	57	388
Mean Var.	32.2	14.0	47.2

APPENDIX C

Velocity, Pressure and Penetration Data from Reference 1.

The code letters used in these data sheets do not correspond with those used in the list of observers.

VELOCITY TEST

Time Started: 1050 Time Completed: 1342

Rifle, Caliber .22, AR15

Previous Rounds on Test: Rifle No. 10 - 1854

Rifle No. 14 - 1566

Initiator Type: Lumiline

Instrumental Velocity, fps

Density: 1.008 to 1.001

Chronograph Type: Counter

at 78 feet

Date: 20 May 1958

Ammunition Temperature *F: 70 Range Temperature *F:64 to 67

Rd' No.	Velocity	Velocity	Velocity	Velocity
Cartrid	ge, Caliber .224 E2, Lot 49 MB72	"Code A"	Cartridge, Cali	lber .222 Special Lot N270
/	Rifle No. 10	Rifle No. 14	Rifle No. 10	Rifle No. 14
1	31.04	3040	3032	3043
2	3125	3036	2971	3012
3	3106	3054	3051	3007

1	Rifle No. 10	Rifle No. 14	Rifle No. 10	Rifle No. 14
1	31.04	3040	3032	3043
2	3125	3036	2971	3012
3	3106	3054	3051	3007
4	3094	3109	2966	2999
5	3106	3075	2999	2971
5 6	3108	3069	3027	2964
	3088	3043	3001	3021
7 8	3106	2999	3003	3008
9	3085	3041	2967	3051
10	3027	3047	3023	3028
11	3083	3040	2994	2967
12	3098	3092	3067	3018
2.3	3056	3115	3040	2996
14	3034	3032	3001.	3045
15	3058	3053	2983	3016
16	3125	3086	2973	3C3B
17	3060	3121	2 99 8	2943
18	3043	3064	3071	3001
19	31.15	3121	3007	3045
20	3058	3113	3023	3129
Avg	3084	3068	3010	3015
Max	3125	3121	3071	3129
Min	3027	2999	2966	2943
Ex Var	98	122	105	186
Mean V	ar 25.3	29.4	25. 5	28. 3

Time Started: 1328
Time Completed: 1347
Rifle, Caliber .22, AR15

Previous Rounds on Test: Rifle No. 10 6900

Rifle No. 14 6610

Ammunition Temperature *F: 70 Range Temperature *F: 72 to 74

Date: 16 June 1958
Density: 0.981 to 0.987
Chronograph Type: Counter
Initiator Type: Lumiline
Screens

Instrumental Velocity, fps at • 78 feet.

	Rifle No. 10		Rifle No. 14	
Rd No.	<u>Velocity</u>	Velocity	Velocity	Velocity
Cartrid	ge, Caliber .224	"Code A"E2, L	ot 49NB72	
1	3045	•	2973	~
2	2978	••	2 999	•
3	2990	•	3005	-
4	3003	-	2974	•
5 6	3021	-	2943	-
6	3008	~	2987	-
7 8	3036	-	2967	•
8	3007	-	2978	•
9	3051	-	2994	-
10	2994	•	2987	-
11.	3005	•	2974	
12	3040	-	2969	-
•	2992	•	2959	6
e *	2985	•	2966	-
15	3016	•	3005	-
16	3032	~	2969	-
17	2 98 5	••	2999	•
18	3049	•	3023	-
19	3007	•	3021	
20	3028	-	3012	•
Avg	3014	-	2985	-
Max	3051	~	3023	~
Min.	2978	-	2943	•
Ex Var	73	•	βŏ	•
Mean V		-	18.0	-

PRESSURE TEST

Time Started: 1307
Time Completed: 1527
Universal Receiver No.: 127

Previous Roands on Test: 0

Ammunition Temperature °F: 70 Range Temperature °F: 84 to 81 Barrol No. 9

Date: 16 July 1958
Density: 0.960 to 0.967
Chronograph Type: Counter
Initiator Type: Lamiline

Screens

Instrumental Velocity, fps at 78 feet; Pressure, psi.

Rd No.	Velcoity	Pressure	Velocity	Pressure
Certridge E2, L	, Caliber ot No. 49	.224 "Code A" N872	Cartridge, "Code I	Caliber .222 Special, 3", Lot No. N270.
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10	3056 3054 3067 3062 3077 3075 3075 3054 3064 3060	46,800 47,000 48,300 46,200 49,000 49,300 49,300 47,100 49,300 47,700	2999 3012 3016 4992 3019 3066 2998 3041 3036 3067 3043	44,400 42,900 45,600 41,800 44,100 49,000 41,900 47,500 44,700 46,700 46,100
12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 Avg Max Min. Ex Var Mean Ver	3060 3090 3047 3028 3094 3066 3067 3094 3067 3094 3028	48,700 51,200 47,900 45,500 50,400 48,100 48,000 47,100 52,600 48,460 52,600 45,500 7,100 1,336	3047 3064 3053 2998 3058 3008 3010 2999 3028 3067 2992 75 23.1	46,700 46,300 46,900 46,300 47,200 43,900 43,900 43,900 43,900 45,205 49,000 41,800 7,200 1,625

Time Started: 1242
Time Completed: 1349

Universal Receiver No.: 127 Frevious Rounds on Test: 73

Ammunition Temperature °F: +160 Range Temperature °F: 75

Barrel No.: 9

Date: 21 July 1958 Density: 0.994

Chronograph Type: Counter Initiator Type: Iumiline Screens

Instrumental Valocity, ips at 78 •

feet; Pressure, psi.

Rd No.	Velocity	Pressure	Velocity Pressure
		224 "Code A"	Cartridge, Caliber . 222, Special
E2, Lot	No. 49NB7		"Code B", Lot No. N270
ı	3159	50,600	3094 47,100
	3133	47,800	3071 46,200
2 3 4 5 6 7 8	3119	47,700	3113 47,700
4	3135	50,500	3100 47,500
5	3115	47,600	3117 47,800
6	3131	50,500	31.08 45,600
7	31.25	49,700	3085 43,700
8	31.00	47,700	3102 46,500
9	3131	48,400	31.09 46,400
10	31.25	49,600	3041 42,100
11	3161	51,400	3111' '47,200
12	3153	50,500	3060 47,400
13	3141	49,900	3106 45,700
14	31 1 1	48,300	3115 46,100
1 5	3109	50,600	3169 49,200
16	3141	48,600	3147 49,400
17	3157	48,800	3113 46,600
18	33.49	48,800	31.15 46,900
19	3123	46,600	3108 43,700
20	3149	47,900	3111 45,200
Avg	3135	49,100	31.05 46,400
Max	3159	51,400	3169 49,400
Min	3100	46,600	3041 42,100
Ex Var	59	4800	128 7300
Mean Var	13.8	1162	18.0 1290

Time Started: 1309

Time Completed: 1411 Universal Receiver No.: 127 Previous Rounds on Test: 113

Ammunition Temperature *F:-65 Range Temperature *F: 74

Barrel No.: 9

Dete: 22 July 1958

Density: 0.983 Chronograph Type: Counter

Initiator Type: Lumiline Screens

Instrumental Velocity, fps at 78 feet; Pressure, psi.

Rd No.	Velocity	Pressure	Velocit	Y Pressure	
Cartridge, E2, Lot	Caliber .224 No. 49NB72.	"Code A"	Cart	ridge, Caliber .222, "Code B", Lot No. N2	Special,
E2, Lot 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19	No. 49NB72. 2973 3003 2960 2955 2919 3003 2962 2880 3016 2980 2999 2994 2931 2985 2907 2957 2905 2969 2952	50,000 50,500 48,200 47,700 43,900 52,400 48,800 44,700 53,600 49,800 51,200 49,800 51,200 48,500 49,900 46,300 48,700 47,700 50,700 49,400	2851 2817 2656 2838 2851 2862 2846 2792 2847 2814 2875 2823 2856 2867 2822 2862 2836 2921	"Code B", Lot No. N2 39,400 38,100 40,300 41,200 37,600 38,500 38,800 40,000 38,400 39,700 39,100 38,300 39,600 35,500 41,100 38,400	Special,
20 Avg Max Min Ex Var	2941 2960 3016 2880 136	46,600 49,000 53,600 43,900 9700	2897 2851 2921 2792 129	39,300 46,000 35,500 10,500	
	136	43,900		10,500	

PENETRATION TESTS

Complete penetration (CP) is the condition which exists when any portion of the bullet protrudes through the target, or opens a hole in the target which permits the passage of light.

Complete perforation (C Perf) is the occurrence wherein a hole has been made in the target the diameter of which clearly indicates passage of the bullet, or a major part of the bullet, entirely through and free of the target.

Failure to penetrate (FP) is the condition which exists when the bullet fails to penetrate the target.

Date: 26 May 1958

Rifle: Caliber .22, ARL5, Number 10. Cartridge: Caliber .224 "Code A" E2, Lot 49NB72.

Ammunition Temperature: 61, to 70°F Range Temperature: 61 to 70°F.

Density: 1.013 to 0.997 Target: Body Armor, M12

Time	Range,	Number of Hits	Results
1010 to 1045	300	5	All hits gave a complete perforation. Four bullets hit one plate in the west and the other hit the edge of a second plate after passing through the first.
1245 to 1345	400	5	All hits gave a complete perforation. Four bullets hit one plate in the Vest and the other hit the edge of a second plate after passing through the first.
1430 to 1515	500	5	All bullets gave a complete penetration in one plate in the wast but failed to exit from the west.

Date: 26 May 1958

Rifle: Caliber .22, AR15, Number 10.

Cartridge: Caliber .222 Special, "Code B", Lot N270.

Ammunition Temperature: 61 to 70°F Range Temperature: 61 to 70°F.

Density: 1.013 to 0.997 Target: Body Armor, M12

Time	Range, yds	No. of Hits	Results
0930 to 1005	300	6	All hits gave a complete perforation. Five bullets hit one plate in the west and the other hit the edge of two plates.
1100 to 1145	400	5	All hits gave a complete perforation. All bullets hit one plate in the Vest end one bullet also passed through a web belt.
1345 to 1415	500	6	Four bullets which hit a single plate in the West (one also hit a web belt) gave a complete perforation. One other bullet passed through one plate and hit the edge of a second but failed to exit from the Vest. Another bullet hit the edge of two plates but failed to exit from the Vest.
1530 to 1555	600	5	All bullets gave a complete penetration in one plate in the west but failed to exit from the west.

Date: 12 August 1958

Rifle: Caliber .22, AR15, Number 18.

Range: 500 yards.

Ammunition Temperature: 75°F Range Temperature: 75°F.

Density: 0.982

Target: One-inch white pine boards spaced one inch apart.

Time	No. of Hits	Results		
	Curtridge, Caliber	r .222 Special, "Code B", Lot N270.		
0900 to 0906	5	of 5 bullets which hit the target 3 gave a com- plete perforation in 12 boards, one gave a complete perforation in 13 boards, and one gave a complete perforation in 14 boards.		
	Cartridge, Caliber	r .224 "Code A", Lot 49NB72.		
0908 to 0920	5	of 5 bullets which hit the target one gave a complete perforation in 8 boards and 4 gave a complete perforation in 9 boards.		

Date: 12 August 1958

Rifle: Caliber .22, AR15, Number 18.

Cartridge: Caliber . 222 Special, "Code B", Lot N270.

Ammunition Temperature: 77 to 33°F Range Temperature: 77 to 33°F.

Density: 0.978 to 0.966

Turget: Helmet, Soldier, Steel, OD, MI, MIL-H-10990 with Liner,

Soldier, Steel Helmey, 11 Type XIII, MIL-I-1910.

				Character of Po	enetration	•
	Hit	Obliq,	Front Side	Front Side	Rear Side	Rear Side
Time	No.	deg	of Helmet	of Liner	of Liner	of Helmet
Range:	500 yairds					
1023	ı	47	C Perf	C Perf	FP	-
_	2	32	C Perf	C Perf	FP	-
1042	3	62	C Perf	C Perf	FP	-
	4	47	C Perf	C Perf	F۲	•
	5	69	C Perf	C Perf	FP	-
Range:	600 yards					
1312	1	2	CP	CP	-	-
	8	35	C Perf	C Perf	FP	-
1335	3	29	FP (Dented	i helmet)	-	-
- >>	ž	26		helmet)	•	-

Date: 12 August 1958

Rifle: Caliber .22, AR15, Number 18.

Cartridge: Caliber .224 "Code A" F2, Lct 49NB72.

Ammunition Temperature: 77 to 83°F Range Temperature: 77 to 83°F. Density: 0.978 to 0.966

Target: Helmet, S.ldier, Steel, OD, MI, MIL-H-10990 with Liner, Soldier,

Steel Helmet, M. Type XIII, MIL-L-1910.

			Character of Penetration					
	Hit	Obliq	Front Side	Front Side	Rear Side	Rear Side		
Time	No.	deg	of Helmet	of Liner	of Liner	of Helmet		
Range:	500 yards							
1005	1	34	C Perî	C Perf	FP	•		
1015	2	19	C Perf	C Perf	FP	••		
	3	28	C Perf	C Peri	FP	-		
	4	13	FP (Dented		-	-		
	5	5,1	FP (Dented	helmet)	-	-		
Range:	600 yards							
1108	1	9	FP (Dented	helmet)	-	-		
1247	2		CP (Bullet	stopped in helme	ಕ) -	-		
	3	6		helmet)	-	. •		
	ļţ	7		helmet)	-	-		
1300	5	12	PP (Dented	helmet)	-	•		